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BIRTHS.

DUNCAN—December 27, 1939, to Ella, wife of William Duncan, Snugboro', Athy, Co. Kildare, a daughter.

PERREM—At Lisieux Nursing Home, to Mollie, wife of Guy C. Perrem, a son.

WILSON—January 2, 1940, at "Rocklyn," Clogher, Co. Tyrone, to Muriel, wife of William Wilson, a daughter (Elizabeth Frances).

DEATHS.

DAVIS—January 11, 1940, at a nursing home, Dublin, Rachel Jane, widow of the late John A. Davis, formerly of Upper Beechwood avenue. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday), arriving Mount Jerome Cemetery 9.45 a.m. "Thy will be done."

FLANAGAN—January 10, 1940, at Tomona, Co. Roscommon, Esmy Mary, widow of the late Mathew Flanagan. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private, by request.

HUXLEY—January 10, 1940, at Elpis, Lower Mount street, Dublin, Miss Margaret Huxley, aged 87. Funeral Service, Unitarian Church, Stephen's Green, to-morrow (Saturday), 13th, at 10 a.m., leaving church for Mount Jerome, 10.30 a.m.

KEAY—January 9, 1940 (suddenly), at Sunnybrae, Strathaven, Miss Jessie Keay, late of Dromin, County Kerry, in her 85th year.

LEWIS—January 11, 1940, at Boscombe Hospital, Hants, Emily, eldest daughter of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Lewis, of Dartmouth square, Dublin.

MacMULLEN—January 11, 1940, at Victoria Hospital, Cork, Dorothy Marian MacMullen, wife of Captain A. G. MacMullen, Ballymore Lodge, Cobh. Funeral strictly private.

MERCER—January 7, 1940, at Beckenham, Kent, Philip George, husband of Alice Mercer, and son of the late Alfred Mercer, Munster Lodge, Monkstown.

PHELAN—January 11, 1940, 19 Somerset street, after a long illness. Funeral from St. Mark's Church to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

PRICE—January 10, 1940, at Haselmere, St. John's road, Wexford, Minnie, beloved wife of Henry J. Price, and mother of Henry H. Price, N.T., Cork. Funeral to-day (Friday) from residence at 3 o'clock to Crosstown Cemetery.

QUINLAN—January 11, 1940, at his residence, 26 Shortcourse, Waterford, Nicholas Quinlan, Cattle Dealer, third son of the late Maurice Quinlan (senior). Remains were removed to Ballybricken Church at 8.30 o'clock yesterday (Thursday) evening. Office and High Mass to-morrow (Saturday) at 10.15 a.m. Interment in adjoining cemetery immediately afterwards.

REGAN—January 10, 1940, at the County and City Infirmary, Waterford, Aubrey John, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Timothy Regan, The Mall, Roscrea, aged 22 years. Funeral from St. Cronan's Parish Church, Roscrea, to Cemetery at 11 a.m. to-day (Friday), 12th. "Thy will be done."

ROQUETTE—January 9, 1940 (suddenly), at Bray, Berks, Margaret Alma Chryseis Roquette, in her 93rd year. Service at Reading Crematorium to-morrow (Saturday), the 13th, at 11.15 a.m. Memorial Service at St. Michael's, Bray, on the same day at 11.30 a.m.

SCHOLEFIELD—January 8, 1940, at Falmouth, Cornwall, Margaret, widow of Robert Scholefield, of 31 Molesworth street, Dublin, in her 84th year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 4.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

FOX—The widow of the late Michael J. Fox, St. Mary's terrace, Longford, wishes to return sincere thanks to all who called, sent Mass cards and letters of sympathy, also to the different Councils and Corporations who sent messages of sympathy in her recent bereavement, trusting this will be accepted by all in grateful acknowledgment, as it is impossible to reply to each individually.

Mrs. Quin and family, Main street, Adare, wish to express their deepest gratitude to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, to all who sent Mass cards, wreaths and messages of sympathy, and hope they will accept this in grateful acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM.

KERR—In loving memory of William S. Kerr, who died at Stradbally Hall, 12th January, 1939. "Thy will be done." Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family.

MORGAN—In loving memory of Robert Morgan, called Home to Higher Service, 12th January, 1936.

SCALES—In remembrance of Mai E. Scales, the dearly-loved wife of V. W. Scales, who passed on to the Higher Life on 11th January, 1937.

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—Inadvertently omitted from yesterday's issue.

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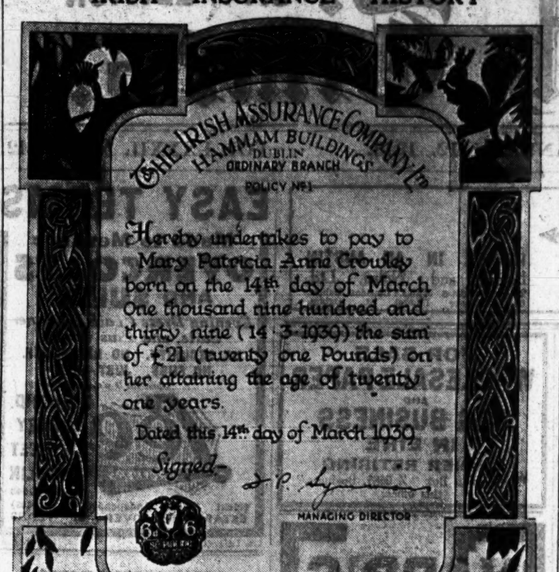

A reproduction of the first policy issued by the Irish Assurance Company, Ltd. This policy was presented last March by F. P. Symmons, Esq., Managing Director of the Company, to Miss Crowley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Crowley. The policy has been specially illuminated by Mr. Karl Uhleman, of the Three Candles Press, Dublin, and makes a very beautiful design when seen in colour.

IVEAGH TRUST ENTERPRISE

HOMES FOR CITY DWELLERS

RELATIVE COSTS GIVEN TO COMMISSION

A PLAYGROUND fully equipped, was imperative for any large flat scheme, said Mr. James Bonar, secretary of the Iveagh Trust, when he gave evidence before the Housing Commission at the City Hall, Dublin, yesterday. Mr. Bonar also suggested that the private baths and laundries should be made separate from the flats, as this would cut down the cost.

Giving a history of the Trust, he said that it was an amalgamation of the Guinness Trust and the Dublin Improvement (Bull Alley Area) Scheme. The Guinness Trust was founded by Lord Iveagh in 1890 with a gift of £50,000. A site was leased in Thomas Court, on which 118 tenements were erected. These were managed by the Dublin Artisans' Dwelling Co., to whom they were sold in 1896. The present site in Kevin street was purchased in 1890 and work was begun three years later. The first block was opened in 1894, the second in 1897 and the third in 1901. The cost of this site, which consisted of two acres, was £1,693, and the all-in cost of the buildings erected £57,658. In 1933 a block of 20 self-contained 3-roomed tenements was erected at a cost of £9,720. In the Kevin street scheme there were 108 one-room flats, 208 two-room and 40 three-room.

The Bull Alley scheme was amalgamated with the Guinness Trust in 1903. The total value of the land and buildings in that scheme was £157,435 (book value). By the Bull Alley scheme Lord Iveagh personally had undertaken to acquire and clear a slum, then to erect certain buildings, and to hand them when completed to trustees, now the trustees of the Iveagh Trust. The book value did not represent the actual cost to Lord Iveagh either of land or building. The valuation figures of the buildings were what their estimated cost would have been on a normal site, and the land valued in the ordinary way. The actual cost of acquiring the Bull Alley area, clearing the site of buildings, diverting the Poddle river and providing boundary walls for new streets was about £50,000, and was apart from the cost of buildings erected. In the scheme there were 21 one-roomed flats, 158 two-roomed, and 73 three-roomed.

The book value of erecting these buildings was £60,691, and the book value of the site £3,566. In addition, the Iveagh House and Iveagh play centre were erected on this site, and the Iveagh Baths on adjoining land purchased from the Corporation.

MORE FLATS

The site at Crumlin, acquired in 1925, accommodated 137 houses and one shop, with living accommodation. The total book value of the site was £3,979, and the cost of buildings erected, after deduction of Government and Corporation subsidies, was £124,158. Up to the end of 1938 the Trust had acquired sites and dwellings to a value of over £274,000. The Trust had always been faced with the difficulty of acquiring suitable sites. In 1938, after long negotiations, work was begun on the erection of fifty-seven flats and six shops adjoining the Kevin street dwellings. The estimated cost was £42,000, and the flats would be available early this year. A further sixty flats, costing approximately £60,000, were in the course of erection, and should be completed early next year, while vacant space had been left for the erection of another block of eighty flats.

Mr. Bonar said that he wished to express his appreciation of the help which they had always received from the Corporation.

In reply to a member of the Commission, he said that sites for which they paid £1,693 in 1890 would cost to-day about £10,000. The cost of each room in the scheme was almost £100. In the 1933 scheme that figure had risen to £155. That was because of the rising prices of materials and the fact that there were baths and kitchenettes in the newer scheme.

FAMILY FIGURES

They thought that the maximum family for a three-roomed flat was a man, his wife and four children. After that they were overcrowded, and the Trust helped them by giving them one or two additional rooms, joined on. They had considerable numbers of applications. For their present fifty vacancies they had 500 applications. The cost of the houses in Crumlin, which had five rooms, was £950 each. The rents were from 21s. to 22s., including rates. They found no difficulty in collecting these rents. The rents for their flats varied from 2s. 6d. to 4s. 3d. per room. The lower rent was for the old flats. The occupants of the 4s. 3d. pe. room flats were of the artisan type. The labouring classes lived in the cheaper flats. The cost of the new flats was £700 each. The rents for the 1938 flats were :—12s. for two rooms, 15s. for three rooms and 18s. for four rooms.

Questioned about the advisability of flats in the city or houses on the outskirts, the witness said that people who left their flats for houses in Kimmage longed to come back. They also had four instances in their own Crumlin houses of people wanting to get some of their new flats. He thought that the bus fares had something to do with it. He thought provision of flats in any solution of the housing problem was essential. The cost of repairs and maintenance was 6d. per room per year.

Adjourning the further hearing until Wednesday next at 11 a.m., the Chairman, Mr. M. P. Colivet, said that he hoped to bring the public sitting of the inquiry to a conclusion next week. He asked that anyone desiring to give evidence should give early notice.

THE IVEAGH TRUST FLATS

The prevailing impression that it is impossible to house a big proportion of the Dublin population at rents which they can pay, and which, at the same time, pay for the rooms in which they live, has been rather shattered by the experiences of the Iveagh Trust, which next week is opening another block of flats at Kevin street. The Iveagh Trust flats may not provide the return that a speculator would expect on his capital, but they do provide some return—their tenants are not a burden on the rates of the city, and the considerable economic discrepancy between them and the Corporation flat schemes causes the ratepayer to think, if not furiously, at least, concernedly.

In the new block of flats at Kevin street there are three types of dwelling, let at 12s., 15s. and 18s. per week, respectively. The first type has three bedrooms, a living room, a kitchen and a bathroom. The second type has only two bedrooms, and third type only one. Each flat has a balcony, an independent hot water system, worked from a stove-boiler in the kitchen; built-in wardrobes and cupboards, while a dust chute is provided to save journeys downstairs for housewives. There are three flats on each landing and fifty-seven in the building, which also accommodates six shops. There are night lights on the landings. A person returning after dark presses a button at the foot of the stairs, the light goes on, and by the time he has reached his dwelling it automatically switches off again. Decranite facings give a clean and pleasing appearance to the staircase walls.

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These new flats lie north of three older blocks of flats on the Kevin street site. The others were erected between 1890 and 1933, and it is possible to trace the improvements that have been made from time to time in the comfort of dwellers in tenement buildings of this type. Even in the oldest flats a decent person or household is able to live under agreeable conditions at a moderate expenditure. The rents in the older buildings work out at 2s. 6d. per room. Very pleasant homes have been made in one-room flats.

Close to the block into which the tenants moved this week is another, which is virtually complete. The two acres of land on which the two blocks are situated cost £11,000 and the building of the blocks cost £42,000. An interesting example of the increase in the prices of land is given by the information that the ground for the earlier flats cost only £1,500. The capital for the present scheme came from the accumulation of funds in the hands of the Trust from rents and investments. A further scheme of three blocks of sixty flats each has already been commenced, and a modern trend in this latest scheme is the provision of air raid shelters. These three blocks will include twelve shops.

The Trust was founded in April, 1890, under the title of the Guinness Trust (Dublin Fund), with a gift from Sir E. C. Guinness (the first earl of Iveagh) of £50,000. In 1903 the Guinness Trust was amalgamated with the scheme of buildings erected by Sir E. C. Guinness at his own expense on the Bull Alley area, between St. Patrick's and Christ Church Cathedrals, to become the Iveagh Trust with enlarged powers, so that the whole of the property and the funds vested in them, from whatever source derived, might be administered as one consolidated fund. The capital of the Trust at 31st December, 1938, amounted to £392,362, including the original gift of £50,000; £35,000 transferred from the contingency fund, £157,435, the value of the Bull Alley area land and buildings; and £149,927, the net income from rents investments, etc., from 1890 to 1938.

In the Bull Alley (Patrick street and Bride street) schemes there are 252 flats, and in the Kevin street blocks completed up to 1933 there are 356 flats. The chemes just completed or in process of completion will provide approximately another 300. The Trust also administers a scheme of cottages at Crumlin, 52 being four-roomed and 84 five-roomed.

Another part of its activities is the Iveagh House, where beds for 508 men are provided at 10d. per night, with kitchen, restaurant, bathing, reading, writing and other facilities.

Cretestone, Ltd., Killeen, Inchicore, Dublin, supplied glazed cretestone fire surrounds and window sills, also special wall lights and scullery sink drainers.

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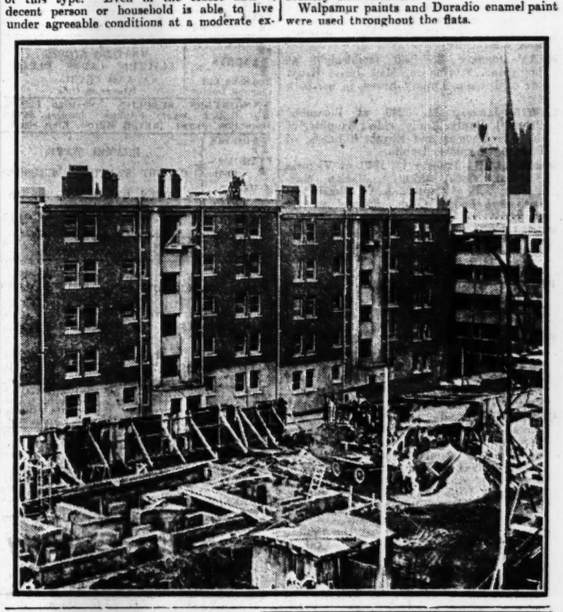

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A CORRESPONDENT expresses doubt as to the accuracy of certain figures related to housing costs, which were published in last Monday's *Irish Times*. As the actual facts are so astonishing, it seems to be desirable that they should be presented in a somewhat more detailed—and, one hopes, more convincing—form, as they apply to the Corporation's recent decision to provide three blocks of tenements to house 288 families.

In order to avoid any appearance of exaggerating the burden that this latest decision will throw upon taxpayers and ratepayers, it is necessary to say that the following figures are based on over-estimates of the amounts which the Corporation has hitherto imposed as rent charges, and that estimates of capital costs, and annual outlays rest on the most favourable basis that can be anticipated by ratepayers.

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The three blocks of tenements to be erected, in Newfoundland street, Railway street and Cook street, are planned to contain 840 apart-

NINE MEN SENT TO PRISON

SPECIAL COURT SENTENCES

SEQUEL TO PHŒNIX PARK RAID

A NUMBER of men were found guilty by the Special Criminal Court, sitting yesterday at Collins Barracks, Dublin, of having failed and refused to give an account of their movements on the night that the Magazine Fort in the Phœnix Park was raided.

None of the prisoners answered the questions put to them by the court and none gave evidence.

Myles Heffernan, 9 Leicester avenue, Dublin, who was stated to have been sentenced in October last to three months' imprisonment for being in possession of seditious, incriminating and treasonable documents, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

James Fitzsimons, 11 Maginnis square, Dublin, who was stated to have been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in 1935, for the malicious wounding of Detective-Sergeant Ryan, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

James Brady, 28 Grey street, Dublin, no previous convictions, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

William Kennedy, 21 Pimlico, Dublin, no previous convictions, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

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FORMER CONVICTIONS

Lawrence Carwood, 1 Valleymount, Kilmainham, who was stated to have been sentenced to six months' imprisonment in 1935 for contempt of court, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

John Hornibrook, 14a Clanbrassil street, Dublin, no previous convictions, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

James Coulton, 22 Nanette place, Dublin, no previous convictions, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

James Coade, Red Cow Farm, Upper Palmerstown, Dublin, no previous convictions, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, not to be enforced if he entered into a recognisance to keep the peace. Coade, while refusing to give an account of his movements, had stated in reply to questions that he was not at the Magazine Fort had not received instructions to go there, or known anyone who was there. Neither had he been in possession of firearms.

ARRESTED IN CAVAN

Thomas Brady, Drumharna, Co. Cavan, who had been arrested in Cavan and who had no previous convictions, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment. The questions in his case did not imply that he was suspected of having been at the Magazine Fort.

Peadar McAndrews, 24 Spencer street, Dublin, no previous convictions, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment. This was the last case and the court adjourned.

Brady and Fitzsimons made political statements to the court, and the President ruled that these were not germane to the proceedings.

McAndrews cross-examined the detective-sergeant in Irish in regard to the questions put to him and denied that the account was accurate in regard to one question, accusing the police witnesses of committing perjury.

Mr. G. Murnaghan (instructed by Mr. D. O'Donovan, Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted.

"THE CHURCH OF IRELAND GAZETTE"

The first leading article of this week's *Church of Ireland Gazette* commends the recent work of Archdeacon Townshend, "The Heart of the Gospel," to the attention of serious readers. The second leader discusses the incidence of rationing on the people of England. The Rev. R. R. Adams, in "Germany from Within," tells of a holiday there before the war. Recent books are reviewed in "Literature."

Mr. John Raymond Gervis (37), of Band street, Macclesfield, who was injured in the collision between two trains on the electrified line at Stretford Station, near Manchester, on Wednesday night, died in Withington Hospital, Manchester, early yesterday.

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VARIATION OF RENTS

OFFICIAL'S APOLOGY TO COURT

COUNSEL'S COMMENT ON PAPERS

(BEFORE JUDGE SHANNON.)

"THE tenants have walked into it," observed the Judge, referring to three standard rent applications brought under the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restrictions) Act (1923-30), in two of which increases in the rents were ordered.

The latter applications were brought by Thomas Kelly, 18 Main street, Blackrock, and Daniel Gallagher, 20 Main street, Blackrock, against Benjamin McKinley, Frascati, Blackrock, and the increases amounted to about 1s. weekly in each case.

In the third application, brought by John Pender, 17 Lower Prince Edward terrace, Blackrock, against Susan O'Neill, Santa Maria, Belgrave square, Monkstown, the rent was decreased by 1s.

Alexander Treanor, Secretary of the Dublin Tenants' Protection Association, Morrow's Chambers, 16 South Frederick street, Dublin, against whom at a previous hearing an order of attachment for failure to attend under subpœna was made, offered an apology to the Court, stating that he had had to go to Belfast to visit his sister in the Mater Hospital there, and had written an explanatory letter to the Court.

Mr. E. M. Wood (instructed by Mr. B. S. Murphy), for Mr. Treanor, stated that his client had in each of the three cases disbursed the sums which he had received from the tenants, and in one case had disbursed more than he had received.

Mr. J. Henry, who appeared for the three applicants, stated that any dispute between landlord and tenants had arisen through Mr. Treanor.

The Judge said that he did not think the Court was the appropriate place to inquire into the activities of Mr. Treanor, and he discharged the order of attachment.

MISTAKEN IMPRESSION

When the hearing of the applications had concluded, Mr. Henry stated that, in view of the mistaken impression that had got about in regard to the applications, he was anxious to make it clear that his solicitor and himself had been instructed directly by their clients, and not by Mr. Treanor. Mr. O'Riordan, of Messrs. Taylor, Son and Robinson, solicitors, had no connection whatever with the Tenants' Protection Association and had no desire to have it. The evidence had been such, however, that certain matters required very serious consideration by other quarters, and he asked that the papers be impounded.

The Judge stated that he would facilitate counsel if either of his clients desired to draw the attention of the Incorporated Law Society to the matter. Otherwise, he would himself send the papers to the Attorney-General. He added that if the Incorporated Law Society was desirous of inquiring into the matter, he would be satisfied.

Correspondence in the cases and a transcript of evidence then were handed in.

Mr. J. Henry (instructed by Messrs. Taylor, Son and Robinson) appeared for the applicants; Mr. D. Bell (instructed by Messrs. Reid and Reid) appeared for Susan O'Neill, and Mr. Bell (instructed by Mr. D. H. Charles) for Benjamin McKinley.

FIREMAN'S CLAIM REJECTED

INJURED IN FALL ON STAIRWAY

(BEFORE JUDGE SHANNON.)

Holding that there was no "invitation to danger," as pleaded by the plaintiff, an action by a fireman, Peter Burns, of Lower Grand Canal street, Dublin, against the Broadway Soda Fountain Parlour, Lower O'Connell street, Dublin, for £300 for personal injuries arising out of an accident in the defendant's restaurant, was dismissed with costs.

Burns, according to the evidence, while taking a meal upstairs in the restaurant, with three companions, followed one of his friends along a dimly-lighted corridor and through swing doors, in order to reach a lavatory. After passing through the swing doors the plaintiff fell down a stairway and received a compound fracture of the leg. While they were having the meal some of the lights were turned off, and they were the only people left in the diningroom, it being 11.15 p.m.

Mr. R. McLoughlin, K.C., who, with Mr. S. Hooper (instructed by Messrs. J. H. McLoughlin and Co.), appeared for the defendants, asked for a direction on the grounds that there was no evidence of negligence, and that, if there had, there was contributory negligence.

The Judge held for the defendants.

Mr. J. Cawley, K.C., with Mr. J. L. Devlin (instructed by Messrs. Giltrap and Lambert), appeared for the plaintiff.

PARISH OF SAINT BARTHOLOMEW

THE DEDICATION FESTIVAL

SOME WORTHY NAMES RECALLED

(BY CANON SIMPSON.)

ON Sunday we keep our Parish Festival, the Parish of St. Bartholomew was created by deed dated the 13th October, 1864, but the church was not consecrated until Christmas, 1867. The custom, therefore, has arisen of keeping the Dedication Festival in January each year and the Patronal Festival on St. Bartholomew's Day in August. Archbishop Whately was the promoter of the scheme for a new parish in Pembroke, and designated the Rev. Richard Travers Smith, curate of St. Stephen's, as the first Vicar. Richard Whately had been a Fellow of Oriel and the friend of Newman in the latter's Liberal period; his really permanent attachment was, however, to Thomas Arnold, of Rugby, with whom he shared what are loosely called Erastian opinions, often representing a passionate belief in the State Church; he had wide sympathies, numbering Pusey and Keble among his correspondents. Before his appointment to Dublin he had been Professor of Political Economy at Oxford—after ordination he had spent a short period in pastoral ministry in Warwickshire—lecturing on "the nature, production and distribution of wealth, not its connection with virtue and happiness."

SINGLE-MINDEDNESS

The Archbishop's designation of Travers Smith to be Vicar of the new parish is a good example of the single-mindedness of a great prelate, in view of the contrast in spiritual outlook of the two men. As it turned out, however, Whately died before the legal formalities were completed, and the new Archbishop, Richard Chenevix Trench, appointed his chaplain, the Rev. Arthur Dawson, son of a former Dean of St. Patrick's, as Incumbent of St. Bartholomew's. It was not until 1871, when Mr Dawson went to the parish of Necton, in England, that Archbishop Whately's choice was approved by the recently established Board of Nomination.

A BALLSBRIDGE PARISH

There are two men living nearby who remember this part of Pembroke as it appeared in the 'sixties and 'seventies of the last century—Bishop Vere White, in Ailesbury road, and Mr. Joshua C. Manly, of Aberdeen House. The Bishop was a young member of the Vestry in 1876, and was associated with the parish from its first days. Mr. Manly, who guided the fortunes of the Pembroke Urban Council during its years of enterprise, was born in Wellington road, and lives now in the house built by his father in Clyde road. He recalls the Swan Stream in 1862 flowing eastward from Donnybrook towards Pembroke road, and the open fields where he and other small boys went bird-nesting, and played football in the original Wanderers' Club, which was described in the *Irish Times* of November, 1876.

Ball's Bridge itself is the historic centre of the parish, and was known in the sixteenth century as the "Bridge of Smothescourt," when the primitive wooden bridge was replaced by a stone structure in order to carry the increasing traffic from the port of Dalkey. Towards the end of Queen Elizabeth's reign ships bound for Dublin began to lie off Ringsend, instead of Dalkey, in order to lessen the traffic. One of the Fitzwilliams occupied the "Big House," Simmonscourt Castle, in the seventeenth century, and Ball's House was on the site now occupied by the Johnston, Mooney and O'Brien bakery, having previously been a cloth factory with bleach greens around it. Turner's Cottages, on Shelbourne road, and the residence adjoining Messrs. Crampton's Hammersmith Works on Pembroke road, are the only buildings standing as they were in the early middle of the last century. During the present century the parish has changed its character by losing a considerable proportion of Church of Ireland residents, and the substitution of flats in place of the former family homes. When I came here towards the end of the Great War there were ninety-one members of the Church of Ireland living in Clyde road, and now we number only eighteen. Happily Wellington road, Pembroke Park and a few other roads have been more conservative.

CANON TRAVERS SMITH

Richard Travers Smith is the name which will always remain in sacred memory in the parish. He came of Unitarian stock, and, like his younger contemporary, Frederick Denison Maurice, of similar origin, could justly have spoken of "my Puritan temperament." Anyone less like "a ritualist of the worst type," as he was described by the Dublin *Daily Express* in 1871 cannot be imagined. Travers Smith and F. D. Maurice made the same intellectual approach to religion, but their historic sense rooted them into the Sacramental ethos of the Christian Fellowship and secured for them a lovely vision of the devotional life, which is equally Catholic and Evangelical. Viewing symbolism as a well-tested experience in the historic order of the Church, he retained to the full a Puritan simplicity of the soul in its direct contact with God.

LIBRARY AS SYMBOL

His library in the vicarage is a spacious symbol of a spacious mind, covering areas of knowledge and wisdom beyond the scope of the present *ostiarius*, a picker-up of learning's crumbs. Literature, from Chaucer to Swinburne and Rossetti; theology, from Clement of Rome and Irenæus to Lightfoot, Westcott, Harmack and Gore; liturgiology, from St. John Chrysostom, the Antiphriary of Bangor and the Missal of Columbanus to the revised Prayer Books of England and Ireland; the biographies of most of the great Victorians; the works of Berkeley, Goethe, Darwin and Herbert Spencer, and a whole catena of books on Ireland and her history—these may suggest, from a library of seven thousand volumes, an intellect well fashioned for the noble Churchmanship of the nineteenth century. His own writings include a history of the Church in France and a history of the Church in Roman Gaul, a life of St. Basil the Great, the Gospel in the Miracles of Christ, Church Membership on Church Principles, a Book of Daily Meditation, and his Donnellan lectures, "Man's Knowledge of Man and of God."

In this last-named book he meets the problems which had arisen from the philosophy of Herbert Spencer and Darwin's "Origin of Species," with an empirical temper rare amongst the Churchmen of the period. Yet when we commemorate Richard Travers Smith amongst our Founders on Sunday, it will not be mainly as a philosophic theologian, but rather as a loving pastor of his people, in intimate contact with all the interests of the parish, and a builder up of a spiritual life in the Church which the present generation endeavours to maintain in its integrity.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

IRISH LAND

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—While many people in Ireland will agree that the warning given to farmers by the Chairman of the Agricultural Credit Corporation regarding the re-fertilization of exhausted Irish land is timely, and that in giving emphasis to it in a recent leading article, your paper performs a true public service, may I be permitted to draw attention to the huge deposit of phosphate rock now being slowly brought into use in Co. Clare.

This valuable mineral is available at less than half the cost of foreign rock, and in it Ireland has the only surface deposit in Europe.

In an agricultural country like ours, this material is a special gift from Providence, but, with our reckless prodigality, we are led to ignore what is lying in our own country and permit the importation of about 100,000 tons every year from abroad.

If Mr. Barton's organisation wishes to foster intensive re-fertilization of Irish soil, an opportunity is not far to seek, an opportunity which will provide work at once for hundreds of unemployed men in Clare and elsewhere. If the wholesale meadowing of our fields in the past was an economic folly, so also is the present studied neglect of our native phosphates.—Yours, etc.,

"MAURICE."

Dublin, January 9th, 1940.

"HAW HAW"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Mr. Liam D. Walsh in his letter to the *Irish Times* of the 9th inst. stated that "Lord 'Haw Haw' is magnetic." So is a snake—which, by the way, has an attraction for some people. His "lordship's" broadcasts, in the sneering manner of their delivery, leads one to the conclusion that the poison of adders is under his lips.—Yours, etc.,

ALICE ERSKINE.

Dublin, January 11th, 1940.

CUSTOMS DELAYS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I ordered from London a specially shaped and padded bedrest—unobtainable in Ireland—for an invalid, who is unable to sleep at night unless propped up. This was received at the North Wall, Dublin, clearly labelled: "Urgent. For immediate delivery. For an invalid," on December 18th. I sent off the tax asked for at once, but, as they had not got Certificate of Origin No. 120, for preferential duty (which I was not claiming), it was held up at the North Wall for nineteen days. This, in spite of my repeated letters telling the authorities there how urgent the matter was.

Incidentally, the tax demanded was 75 per cent., though I would rather have paid double that than have it delayed.—Yours, etc.,

ETHEL E. PURDON.

Lodge Park, Freshford, Co. Kilkenny, January 10th, 1940.

FOR TRIAL BY SPECIAL COURT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

GALWAY, Thursday.

William Walsh, of High street, Galway, was, at Galway District Court to-day, returned for trial to the Special Criminal Court in Dublin on charges of being in possession of copies of seditious documents and of refusing to answer questions put to him.

A Civic Guard said that on Walsh's bicycle there were copies of "War News."

Walsh, when asked if he wished to ask questions, made no reply.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

KELLS, Thursday.

James Maguire (26), Annagh, Oldcastle, has been sent for trial, in custody, to the Special Criminal Court on a charge of refusing to give information as to his movements between 23rd December and 3rd January. Three other charges—conspiring with others to steal ammunition from the Magazine Fort, stealing a lorry, and being a member of an unlawful organisation—were withdrawn.

When asked by the Justice if he wished to say anything, Maguire shook his head.

IRISH RED CROSS AND FINLAND

MINISTER'S WIFE PLEASED WITH GIFT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

"How marvellous; I am so thrilled. It is so characteristically kind of them," declared Mme. de Gripenberg, wife of the Finnish Minister at the Court of St. James, at her Bryanstown square home to-night, when I told her that the Irish Red Cross Society had decided to send one thousand pounds and two bales of medical materials to the Finnish Red Cross Society.

Madame de Gripenberg, who is English by birth, and was decorated by both the Belgian and French Governments for her war services in ambulance work during the last war, recalled how she visited Eire three years ago.

"I had a lovely trip to your country, and enjoyed its lovely clouds, scenery and people. I talked on Radio Eireann about Finland, and had a lot of letters following the broadcast. I had the honour of meeting Mr. de Valera, whom I found very interested in strengthening the commercial and cultural relations between Finland and Ireland."

The wife of the Finnish Minister is very busy just now with comforts for the wounded. She is chairman of a strong committee, who are helping Finland with medical and other aid.

"The Quakers are sending thirty ambulances at the end of next week," she told me, "and they will be accompanied by fifty-four men—doctors and trained men nurses. This is only a beginning in the practical help from England."

WOMEN'S SECTION OF BRITISH LEGION

At the annual general meeting of the South Dublin Women's Section, British Legion, last night, Mrs. B. Ivimey presided, and detailed the activities of the year. The reports of the chairman, secretary and treasurer were unanimously passed. Major Tynan gave an address on branch organisation, and the vice-president, Miss N. Fitzpatrick, also addressed the branch.

The new committee, which was elected, consists of:—Chairman, Mrs. B. Ivimey; vice-chairman, Mrs. Harding; hon. secretary, Mrs. Elson; hon. treasurer, Mrs. Van Mierlo; and the members of the committee—Mrs. E. Crozier, Mrs. Pasley, Mrs. Deegan, Miss Booth-Jones, Mrs. Modler, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Bates.

ACCIDENTS IN FACTORIES

FEWER IN 1938

During the year 1938 there were 1,236 accidents in factories notified to the authorities, as compared with 1,335 in 1937, and 1,253 in 1936. Those which resulted fatally were 16, as against 11 and 19 in the two previous years.

These facts are disclosed in the report of the Department of Industry and Commerce under the Factories Acts for the year 1938.

Twenty-nine per cent. of the accidents occurred in shipbuilding, engineering, and metal trades, and 24.7 per cent. in the trades relating to food, drink, and tobacco; 9.3 occurred in connection with docks, buildings, warehouses, and railways; and 4.6 in connection with general wood-working trades.

During the year 10,868 premises were inspected out of 11,233 on the register. This was equivalent to 97.8 per cent. This is the largest percentage of visits recorded in any year. The actual number of visits was greater, as some of the premises had to be visited more than once for the purpose of investigating accidents, or where earlier visits revealed serious contraventions.

The report contains particulars of 139 prosecutions under the Factory Acts.

KILMACTHOMAS PLOUGHING MATCH

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

WATERFORD, Thursday.

At Kilmacthomas, Co. Waterford, ploughing match to-day the following were the results:

Class A—1, and best centre, Thomas Phelan, Ballyshunnock; best furrow, J. Morrissey.

Class B (confined)—1, Frank Kavanagh, Ballylaneen; 2, John Morrissey, Ballydurn; 3, Martin O'Brien, Ballyshunnock, and Thomas Behan, Dunhill, a tie.

Best middle, Frank Kavanagh; best furrow, J. Morrissey.

Class C (confined)—1, Eddie Hartley, Dunmore East; 2, Eddie Rockett, jun., Ballybrack; 3, Eugene Condon, Tallow.

Best middle, E. Rockett; best furrow, E. Condon.

Messrs. T. Phelan, P. Cummins and M. Coffey were selected to contest the County Waterford ploughing championship at Tallow.

OBITUARY

SENATOR T. R. LAVERY, D.L.

Senator Thomas R. Lavery, D.L., who died yesterday at his residence in Newtownards, County Down, in his 81st year, was a native of Lurgan. He settled in Newtownards as a young man, and soon he took a prominent position in its public affairs. On fourteen occasions he was elected chairman of the District Council, and when Newtownards became a borough he was elected to the new Corporation. Senator Lavery was a member of Newtownards Board of Guardians, of the Down Regional Education Committee and of other educational bodies; of the Committee of Governors of Ards District Hospital, of the Down and Connor and Dromore Diocesan Council and of the General Diocesan Council of the Church of Ireland. On the creation of the Northern Ireland Parliament he was elected as one of the members for County Down, he retiring some years afterwards in favour of the Right Hon. Harry Mulholland.

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The proposal was adopted.

Mr. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, is expected to announce soon the sale to Great Britain of 50,000,000 bushels of wheat at 3s. 9d. a bushel, Britain arranging for transport.

Prof. Alfred O'RAHILLY ANSWERS H. G. WELLS

"You started this controversy. You wantonly insulted Catholics, and, in particular, Irish Catholics. And I, an Irish Catholic layman, have accepted your challenge. . . . I am sure my fellow

TRUST FLATS

penditure. The rents in the older buildings work out at 2s. 6d. per room. Very pleasant homes have been made in one-room flats.

Close to the block into which the tenants moved this week is another, which is virtually complete. The two acres of land on which the two blocks are situated cost £11,000 and the building of the blocks cost £42,000. An interesting example of the increase in the prices of land is given by the information that the ground for the earlier flats cost only £1,600. The capital for the present scheme came from the accumulation of funds in the hands of the Trust from rents and investments. A further scheme of three blocks of sixty flats each has already been commenced, and a modern trend in this latest scheme is the provision of air raid shelters. These three blocks will include twelve shops.

The Trust was founded in April, 1890, under the title of the Guinness Trust (Dublin Fund), with a gift from Sir E. C. Guinness (the first earl of Iveagh) of £50,000. In 1903 the Guinness Trust was amalgamated with the scheme of buildings erected by Sir E. C. Guinness at his own expense on the Bull Alley area, between St. Patrick's and Christ Church Cathedrals, to become the Iveagh Trust with enlarged powers, so that the whole of the property and the funds vested in them, from whatever source derived, might be administered as one consolidated fund. The capital of the Trust at 31st December, 1938, amounted to £392,362, including the original gift of £50,000; £35,000 transferred from the contingency fund; £157,455 the value of the Bull Alley area land and buildings; and £149,927, the net income from rents investments, etc., from 1890 to 1938.

In the Bull Alley (Patrick street and Bride street) schemes there are 252 flats, and in the Kevin street blocks completed up to 1933 there are 356 flats. The schemes just completed or in process of completion will provide approximately another 300. The Trust also administers a scheme of cottages at Crumlin, 52 being four-roomed and 84 five-roomed.

Another part of its activities is the Iveagh House, where beds for 508 men are provided at 10d. per night, with kitchen, restaurant, bathing, reading, writing and other facilities.

Cretestone, Ltd., Killeen, Inchicore, Dublin, supplied glazed cretestone fire surrounds and window sills, also special wall lights and scullery sink drainers.

Walpamur paints and Duradio enamel paint were used throughout the flats.

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IRISHMAN'S DIARY

The Evacuation of School-children : Skating in the Midlands
Swedish "News in English" : Visitors to the North
Sullivan—a Contemporary Judgment

News from Sweden

I suppose that the great majority of my readers by this time have grown accustomed to listen in to the English news from Hamburg and Station DJA, whatever that may be, and to recognise the dulcet tones of His Lordship of Haw Haw, as well as those of his anonymous colleague who, in my humble opinion, speaks far more respectable English, and whose criticisms are likely to be far more damaging than those of the now world-famous announcer.

How many of them, however, have been listening to the infinitely more interesting and better-informed English broadcasts from Sweden, which nightly give an admirable survey of the present situation in Scandinavia, with particular reference to Finland?

Every night, with the exception of Sunday, the Swedes broadcast in English at a quarter to ten. Their broadcasts can be heard best on the medium wave band at 265 metres. They only last about five minutes, but they should not be missed.

Another Boundary Problem

Several citizens of this State have been wondering what will happen to them when, and if, they have occasion to visit the six counties. I am not suggesting that they have reason to fear imprisonment or anything similarly drastic. Their concern is entirely for the inner man.

What will happen, they ask, when they want a meal at a hotel or restaurant in Belfast? Will they not be entitled to butter, sugar or bacon?

On that point, I think, they can be assured—that is to say, if the Belfast system agrees strictly with the English plan. I gather from the cross-Channel newspapers that anybody who takes a meal in a public resort is entitled to a certain amount of the rationed commodities—even though he has no ration card. His portion of butter may be small, but it will be, at all events, visible to the naked eye. *The Times* compares it in size to three pennies, placed one on top of the other.

That, however, does not solve my own personal problem. Normally, when I visit the North, I stay with friends, and not at a hotel. My friends certainly will not be entitled to claim an extra ration of butter and bacon for me. Certainly, too, I shall not accept a portion of their very scanty ration. What am I to do? I like butter and bacon.

Will I be permitted to take a small quantity of each in my suit-case when I cross the border? Will the Customs man believe me when I assure him that I propose to stay so many days, and that the contraband is for my own personal use? I can only hope so.

Evacuation

An Irish girl who has been teaching in England during the past two or three years has told me some interesting things about the evacuation scheme over there.

It has been clear recently that the scheme is not working with the expected smoothness. The English newspapers have announced quite frankly that the children who had been evacuated from the crowded cities to less thickly populated areas have been "seeping" back again.

I thought, however, that only a fraction of the children were returning to their homes. Actually, the South of England has worked the scheme pretty well, but my friend tells me that in certain parts of the North as many as fifty per cent. have returned. That was the position when she came over here on leave before Christmas; probably an even greater proportion has returned since then.

The scheme, apparently, has suffered from opposition on all sides. Parents, lonely for their children, have snatched at every opportunity to bring them home. Many school teachers, hating the interruption of normal routine, have accepted the scheme grudgingly, and sneer at it openly. The children's "hosts" have resented their presence—especially when the children came from a different class of society—while many families in the "reception areas" have been hard set to feed and shelter their little guests at 8s. a head.

In addition, many people think that, because there have been no air raids yet, there never will be any—which seems to be a dangerous assumption. I hope, however, that it will be justified.

Skating in Ireland

A friend who came up from the Midlands the other day tells me that he managed to get some skating on no fewer than eight days during the past month.

He lives near Portarlington, and the local pond developed a fine coat of ice that held good for over a week—which seems to indicate that the weather in the Midlands has been far more severe than in the neighbourhood of the city.

On several occasions I have heard rumours of an indoor ice skating rink for Dublin, but it has not materialised. Belfast has a rink, and I believe that it attracts a large number of people, despite the black-out. Visits by leading cross-Channel ice-hockey teams have helped to foster interest in this game, claimed to be the fastest in the world.

When ice skating is a forgotten "fashion" in the North, perhaps the people in Dublin will begin to get enthusiastic about it.

The Real Sullivan?

Prophecies are dangerous things. Last night I was looking through a "History of Music," written last century by one Emil Naumann. My edition is the English translation, edited by the Rev. Sir F. A. Gore Ouseley, who died in 1889. I mention that fact merely to give a rough idea of the date.

Whether Herr Naumann or Sir F. A. Gore Ouseley was responsible for the final chapter—on English music during the Victorian age—I do not know; but here is his opinion of a certain Sir Arthur Seymour Sullivan:—

"Sullivan is undoubtedly the most popular English *(sic!)* composer now living, and he owes this popularity mainly to his very clever and most successful operas and operettas, such as 'The Contrabandists,' 'Box and Cox,' 'Trial by Jury,' 'The Sorcerer,' 'H.M.S. Pinafore,' 'The Pirates of Penzance,' 'Patience,' 'Iolanthe,' 'Princess Ida,' and 'The Mikado.' He is also the composer of a large number of songs and part-songs, many of which have won a well-deserved popularity.

Judgment

"But it will not be, probably, by these more ephemeral works that he will be best known to future generations; he has also composed more serious and classical things, which will hand down his name among the best of England's musical worthies. His three oratorios, 'The Prodigal Son,' 'The Light of the World,' and 'The Martyr of Antioch,' his cantatas, and his admirable orchestral compositions, will live long after his lighter works have gone out of fashion."

Nearly two generations have moved from the future into the past since that judgment was written. I wonder what the prevailing view of Sullivan will be when another couple have followed them?

QUIDNUNC.

£360,000 IN SUBSIDIES

FOR 288 TENEMENT FLATS

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

A CORRESPONDENT expresses doubt as to the accuracy of certain figures related to housing costs, which were published in last Monday's *Irish Times*. As the actual facts are so astonishing, it seems to be desirable that they should be presented in a somewhat more detailed—and, one hopes, more convincing—form, as they apply to the Corporation's recent decision to provide three blocks of tenements to house 288 families.

In order to avoid any appearance of exaggerating the burden that this latest decision will throw upon taxpayers and ratepayers, it is necessary to say that the following figures are based on over-estimates of the amounts which the Corporation has hitherto imposed as rent charges, and that estimates of capital costs, and annual outlays rest on the most favourable basis that can be anticipated by ratepayers.

£230 PER ROOM

The three blocks of tenements to be erected in Newfoundland street, Railway street and Cook street, are planned to contain 840 apartments, at an estimated capital cost of £230 per room. From the evidence tendered to the Housing Inquiry by the Corporation's Housing Architect it transpired that the average costs per room for the 474 flats that were built during 1937-1938 were at least £40 higher than the figure now estimated. As building costs have not decreased during the interval it must be assumed that considerable structural economies are contemplated in connection with the present plans.

Assuming such economies, and allowing for higher rents than have yet been proposed for any tenement scheme, the most favourable prospect that can be anticipated is that rooms to cost £230 each will command average rents of 3s. 6d. each weekly, which is the equivalent of £27 6s. 0d. yearly for a three-room flat.

YEARLY DEFICIT

Basing our corresponding figures of annual outlays on conservative interpretations of figures placed before the Housing Inquiry by the City Manager, and under-estimating the average rates of interest and sinking fund that the Corporation is now compelled to pay, we find that average annual outlays on each room will not be less than:—

Capital charges at 7 per cent. on £230	£16 2 0
Rates	2 10 0
Maintenance and other charges	3 0 0
Annual outlays per room	£21 12 0
Less rent at 3s. 6d. weekly	9 2 0
Yearly deficit	£12 10 0

Applied to the 840 rooms now to be provided an annual deficit of £10,500 to be derived from taxpayers' and ratepayers' resources. That annual amount multiplied by thirty-five years—the period contemplated to liquidate loans—gives a total deficit of £367,500 to be met from State and municipal subsidies.

Again, taking the most favourable view of ratepayers' liabilities by assuming that the maximum of subsidies now payable by the State will apply to all the dwellings to be provided (i.e., the assumption that all rooms will be occupied by families to be dispossessed under compulsory slum-clearance schemes), the best that can be hoped for is that Sean Citizen, the ratepayer, will be called on to contribute, say, £200,000, while as taxpayer he will also pay his full share of the remaining £167,500.

INEVITABLE CONSEQUENCES

Such reflections may seem to be quite sufficiently gloomy. Yet they are probably the brightest side of the picture that advocates of central tenement building seem to be determined to paint. Should the Housing Committee persist with its declared intention to build a further 15,000 or 20,000 tenement rooms, and should the Government continue to turn a deaf ear to the Banking Commission's "dead weight debt" warnings, two consequences would seem to be inevitable: ultimate financial deadlock and despair of any hope that malignant slum diseases will be eradicated within many decades to come!

Heavy sacrifices there must be if this generation is to see any appreciable diminution in slumdom. Sacrifices that will be made willingly if prudent measures are allowed to prevail. But sacrifices that can only be made in vain so long as the credit of the State and the Municipality are to be pledged to profligate outlays on "warehousing" policies and plans.

Prof. Alfred
O'RAHILLY
ANSWERS
H. G. WELLS

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VETERINARY COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Veterinary Council of Ireland, held in Dublin yesterday—Mr. A. A. Dennelly, President, presiding—a number of cases of alleged infringements against the Veterinary Surgeons Act (1931) were dealt with.

Of Interest to Women

STYLES OF THE STARS: Anne Gwynn, charming leading lady in the new film, "The Man From Montreal," tops dark blue gabardine ski trousers with a fitted jacket of white baby lamb's fur, fastened with large silver buttons. The blue and white snug-fitting angora cap ties under the chin. She wears blue and white hand-crocheted mittens with colourful flower embroidery.

IRISH INDUSTRIES IN THE HOME

THE news that the annual dinner of the Federation of Irish Manufacturers, Ltd., is to be held next week makes it of topical interest to review briefly Irish industries as they affect women, and to note those which have made marked progress in recent years. In the year 1940 we are buying for the home and for personal adornment infinitely more articles which are either partially or wholly manufactured in the home country than even ten years ago. The improvement in the standard of Irish manufactured goods, and also in the quantity in which they can be supplied, has been largely responsible for the very satisfactory position which Irish manufacturers occupy to-day in almost every part of the market.

IRISH MATERIALS

In the first place—since it is the nearest and most personal to each one of us—let us take the question of clothing. It has for a very long time been possible to buy Irish materials, but only quite recently have these been turned out on a scale from which they could compete with the imported stuffs.

The Irish homespun tweed is a material which has been successfully put to a multitude of uses, owing to the fact that it can be turned out in a considerable variety of weights and thicknesses. For country occasions nothing looks as well as a nice suit of Irish tweed, and for the more formal wear demanded by the city lighter qualities of Irish tweed are available in the most up-to-date patterns. The Irish tweed evening frock has not yet attained the popularity which it undoubtedly deserves; for its warmth, combined with the elegance of the designs, make it a perfect medium for a winter evening gown.

WOOLLEN GOODS

Irish tweed is thought by many to be the most satisfactory material for chair covers and cushion covers, because it is both extremely durable and also easy to wash, and is obtainable in delicate shades which are suitable for any scheme of decoration.

Irish-made woollen goods are but a small step from tweeds, and these also have made their presence felt in the open market. More than one manufacturer in this country is turning out stockings and underwear of the highest quality, and at a price which compares favourably with similar goods imported from outside.

IRISH POTTERY

Irish pottery, I am glad to see, has been coming very much to the fore of late. Pottery ornaments look ideal in a modern room, and the tea and coffee services or little soup bowls made of Irish pottery are a most common feature in many homes. If you are wondering what to give for a wedding present some time, you need think no further than a pottery set, be it beer tankards or coffee cups, which will hardly fail to please the recipient. The big pottery vases are, I think, perfect receptacles for all large flowers.

IRISH CHEESE

When it was announced that an embargo had been placed on English cheeses many cheese-lovers in this country were in despair, but in a really wonderful way the Irish manufacturers who went to work to replace this loss have managed to produce cheeses following the types of the famous English products, and which are not behind them in quality.

The Irish are not, as a whole, a cheese-eating nation, but there are in their midst addicts, and these people must be extremely grateful to the pioneers of the Irish cheese-making industry, who have so ably come to the rescue in the hour of need.

The food-canning industry, which has reached such gigantic proportions in the world to-day, has not passed Eire by, and its manufacturers are turning out canned goods of the highest standard and in great variety, though the day of the canned rabbit may not yet have arrived!

I cannot end this article on Irish manufactures of to-day without paying tribute to the furniture-makers. There can be few cities in the world where it is possible to buy better furniture than the Irish manufactured antique and modern-style goods on sale in the city of Dublin. This is a progressive industry, and considerable as it is, though probably only in its infancy in Ireland, are manufacturers in Dublin turning out modern furniture of a quality which could compete favourably with the best workmanship to be found anywhere, and often of an originality of design which should take his name far beyond the limits of his native land.

PEGEEN.

Don't forget to visit your dentist at least four times yearly. Bad teeth not only bring bad health, but mar your beauty, while good, strong white teeth make your smile a pleasure not only to yourself, but to all with whom you come in contact.

I SAW LAST WEEK

Ladies' office coats in good quality poplinette, made with long sleeves and all-round belts, for 9s. in a George's street shop—obtainable in navy and green.

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A swagger raincoat in a smart check design, with patch pockets, for 13s. 11d. in a Talbot street shop—smart for town or country wear.

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Bolster cases made from pure bleached cloths, and hemstitched at both ends, for 1s. 2d. in an Exchequer street shop—splendid value.

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Very attractive striped cotton table cloths in many gay colours for 2s. 11d. in a Grafton street shop—ideal for breakfast or lunch.

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Ladies suede gloves, fleece lined, in brown and grey, for 2s. 11½d. in a George's street shop—a real bargain.

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A tailored dressing gown in warm all-wool Malay flannel for 47s. 6d. in a Suffolk street shop—obtainable in rose, saxe and many pretty shades.

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A lovely Angora wool afternoon dress, with an accordeon-pleated skirt and a simple bodice, for 79s. 6d., in a Grafton street shop—regular price 6½ gns.

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A pure silk georgette evening gown, with a full skirt and draped bodice, for 55s., in an O'Connell street shop—it would fit the average figure.

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Lovely furnishing velour in an Exchequer street shop. It is 48" wide, and only 4s. 3d. per yard—it drapes and folds beautifully.

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A collection of really good quality pillows, filled with purified feather down and covered with white swansdown drill, for 6s. 11d., in a Grafton street shop—exceptional value.

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New striped cotton folkweave bedspread, fringed at both sides, for 7s. 11d., in a Suffolk street shop—also obtainable in double bed size.

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Genuine hand-made Donegal rugs, 6ft. x 3ft., in many lovely designs and colours, for 79s. 6d., in a Grafton street shop—a really tempting offer.

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AND I FOUND that if a little AMMONIA is added to the water when washing brushes no end of time is saved.

SPY ANN.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE

BOUILLABAISSE

1lb. each of mackerel, whiting, john dory and codling; 1 pint mussels, 1lb. onions, parsley, bay leaf, clove of garlic, seasoning, 3 pints of cold water, teaspoonful of olive oil, pinch of saffron.

Dice the onion, grate the garlic, and place in a pan with bay leaf and a little water. Simmer for 20 minutes. Open the mussels by shaking in a large saucepan over a flame. Remove the mussels from their shells. Strain and keep the mussel liquid. Next place in a large stew-pan the cooked onions, mussel liquid, olive oil, pinch of saffron and cold water. Add seasoning. Bring the liquid to the boil, then add the fish cut in chunks (and boned). Cook for ten minutes, then add the mussels. Cook another five minutes. This makes two dishes—a complete meal. Strain the liquid and serve as a soup with thin slices of brown bread and butter. Serve the fish in a deep dish, moistened with a little of the soup and sprinkled generously with chopped parsley.

Next Week: KIPPER KEDGEREE.

BEAUTY BRIEFS

Don't allow the muscles of the body to become flabby, writes a Paris correspondent. Exercise them, for firm muscles greatly add to the appearance of youth.

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Don't think your duty done when you have brushed the hair. Remember the scalp must be massaged and kept free from dirt and excessive oil.

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Don't forget that health is the foundation of beauty, and she who builds her temple upon a less sound foundation must expect but the fragments saved from the ruins caused by neglect.

ECHOES Of The TOWN

By KITTY CLIVE

VISCOUNTESS ADARE MRS. BRERETON BARRY

THOSE who saw Lady Adare last week proudly wheeling the perambulator around St. Stephen's Green with the recently arrived heir to the earldom realised that she had brought her democratic American ideas to her Irish home. Lady Adare, who is expected to attend the Limerick Hunt ball at the Hibernian Hotel on the night of the Red Cross Steeplechase, is very popular in County Limerick, where she and Lord Adare are prominently associated with the county. They were married in 1933, and have a small daughter and now a baby son. Lady Adare, who was Miss Nancy Quille, an American heiress, is the daughter of Mr. J. Quille, of New York. A popular member of the Limerick Hunt, she is very domesticated. She caused no small surprise among her old-fashioned Irish neighbours when she erected a sunhouse in her garden for her baby daughter shortly after its birth, and here the baby lived in its revolving shelter, capturing all the available sunshine, being trained in hardiness from infancy. No doubt, the young heir will receive the same upbringing as his sister. The title of Baron Adare, which is held by the heir to the Earls of Dunraven, was created in 1800. The founder of the house was the son of an Irish M.P., Valentine J. Quin, who was first created a baronet in 1781, and later awarded all the Irish peerages, which include Dunraven and Mount Earl. Members of the family have been long prominent in Irish political life.

TO CLOTHE THE CHILDREN

The wintry weather makes us realise the sufferings of the poor children who spend most of their time on our streets. I had no idea of the amount of work done by the Children's Clothing Society, which is having a charity bridge tournament to-morrow afternoon at Fuller's Café to raise funds for the organisation. Mrs. Brereton-Barry tells me that last year one thousand children were clothed by the C.C.S., and they expect to double the number in 1940. The clothes are only given to necessitous cases, and each garment is marked so that unscrupulous parents cannot pawn them. What is also interesting is that each child of school-going age must have a card showing regular attendance at school, and many might not be able to go to school were it not for the warm garments provided by the committee. Mrs. Claire Brereton-Barry, who has a large committee helping her, is secretary of the bridge tournament. She is a keen player and very popular in bridge circles in Dublin. She is the widow of the late County Court Judge Brereton-Barry, whose father was also one of the leading lights of the Irish Bar, famous for his *bon mots* and a distinguished scholar. Her son, Mr. Ralph Brereton-Barry, is at present upholding the traditions of the family at the Four Courts. Mrs. Barry is a sister of the late Sir George Roche.

CHARLEMONT HOUSE RECEPTION

Charlemont House is one of the most beautiful residences in which to hold a reception, and the City Fathers have again lent the Gallery to the Friends of the National Collection for their coming function on the 25th of the month. Miss Purser has surrounded herself with an active committee, and the members are working to make the annual gathering of the Society and friends as brilliant a party as last year. These meetings make known to the public what the Friends are doing in trying to secure art treasures for the nation. Were it not for such art patrons as Miss Purser, who has been the real inspiration of the Society since its inception, the cultural movement in Ireland would have been submerged in times of stress. Instead, a great impetus has resulted from the work of the Friends. The social side of the Society also brings the members in touch with the art collections in old Irish homes, and these visits during the past year were most enjoyable. It is expected that the fine rooms of the Municipal Art Gallery will be crowded for the reception, and the guests will see many improvements carried out by the Curator, Mr. Kelly, since last year's visit.

BY CANDLE LIGHT

Mrs. Corballis is one of the few who still prefers her drawingroom lit with candles, and the charming house, Rosanna, where Mr. Jerningham Corballis had a party for his friends, was in true atmosphere for the cocktail party and dance last week. Rosanna, which Captain and Mrs. Corballis purchased from the Tighe family some years ago, is one of the finest residences in the County Wicklow. Its lovely gardens were lavishly nurtured for a generation, and are kept in all their beauty by Captain Corballis, who inherited a large fortune when he went into residence. The party given by his son was one of the most enjoyable of the new year celebrations, and the young people motored from far and near for the occasion. While the house has been fitted with electric light throughout, the mellow glow of numerous candles was a scene of old-time charm.

Carl Brisson, the well-known stage and screen actor, who will make a personal appearance at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, next week.

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

RADIO EIREANN—DUBLIN, 220 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.); ATHLONE, 531 Metres (564 Kc.) (100 Kw.) and CORK, 242 Metres (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.).

5.30—The Twins; Bunty and Ginger at Home.
6. 0—St. Dominic's Pipe Band: Traditional Irish and Scottish Selections.
6.15—"Leigeanna Coilteach an Lae Inniu": Nessa Ni Sheaghdha.
6.30—J. J. Calnan (harmonica): Hornpipe, The Rigs o' Man; Reel, The Turkey in the Straw; Airs, The Minstrel Boy; Lea Erin Remember; Jigs, The Trip to the Cottage, The Galtaily Farmer; Hornpipe, The Boys of Bluehill; The Stack of Barley; Reel, The Road to Cappa.
6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Results, Official Announcements.
6.45—Today's News.
7. 0—Talking on Listeners' Mikes: Michael Farrell.
7.15—Irish Radio Orchestra (Conductor: Captain M. Dupin): Overture to an Irish Comedy (Brase); Old Irish Airs (arr. Neil Walsh); The Gentle Maiden (arr. Redman); The Derry Air (arr. O'C. Morris).
7.45—Relay of O'Dea Pantomima from the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin.
8.45—Reminiscences by Alice Milligan.
9. 0—Commentary on Arbour Hill Boxing Tournament. Commentator: Cpndt. J. Devine.
9.20—Nuacht an Lae.
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10. 0—To-night's News.
10.20-11.0—"Arranged by Herbert Hughes." Speaker: Dr. Walter Starkie. Singer—Violet Pearson (soprano).

NEWS IN ENGLISH

a.m.
12.15—Hamburg (332m.); Bremen (896m.).
12.30—Rome (19.61m., 25.4m., 30.52m., 31.16m.). B.B.C. Overseas (30.96m., 49.59m.).
1. 0—Paris-Mondial (30.99m.).
1.15—Germany DJB (19.74m., 25.49m., 30.22m.)
1.55—Wayne (25.36m.).
3. 0—Bound Brook (31.02m.). Pittsburg (25.26m., Tuesday to Saturday).
3.30—Germany DJD for U.S.A.).
4. 0—Wayne (31.09m.).
5. 0—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.).
5.15—Paris-Mondial.
6.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
6.55—Wayne (48.62m.).
7. 0—B.B.C. Home (391.1m., 449.1m.).
8. 0—B.B.C. Home and Overseas.
8.15—Paris-Mondial (19.38m. and 25.24m.).
8.45—Melbourne (931.32m.—Sunday at 9.20 a.m.).
9. 0—B.B.C. Overseas.
9.45—Rome (19.61m.).
10.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
10.45—B.B.C Overseas.
11. 0—Moscow (25.7m.), Rome (16.84m., 25.4m.), Paris-Mondial (19.68m.).
11.30—B.B.C. Overseas.
11.45—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.).
p.m.
1. 0—B.B.C. Home, Pittsburg (13.93m.—Monday to Saturday., Wayne (13.91m.).
1.30—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.). Vatican City (25.55m.)—Tuesday.
2. 0—Pittsburg (Monday to Saturday). Wayne (13.91m.—Sunday).
2.30—Vatican City (25.55m.—Tuesday and Friday).
2.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
2.50—Hsinking (Manchukuo, 25.48m.).
3.30—Saigon (Indo-China, 25.47m.).
3.55—Rome (19.61m., 25.4m.).
4. 0—B.B.C Overseas (19.76m., 41.49m., Wayne).
4.30—Paris-Mondial.
5. 0—Schenectady (19.57m.). Pittsburg (19.72m.).
5.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
6. 0—B.B.C. Home and Overseas.
6.18—Rome.
6.30—Wayne (19.65m., Monday to Friday).
6.45—Radio Eireann (531m., 242m., and 253m. except Sunday).
7. 0—Vatican City (48.47m., Tuesday and Friday), Paris-Mondial (25.24m., 41.21m.).
8. 0—Moscow (31.25m., 31.51m.).
8. 5—Tokio (25.42m., 41.34m.).
8.15—Hamburg, Bremen, Germany DJB (31.32m.) and DJA (31.38m.).
8.30—Melbourne (25.25m.).
9. 0—B.B.C. Home, Belgrade (19.69m., 25.65m., 31.56m., Monday to Friday), Kuldiga (271.7m., Tuesday to Friday), Hsinking.
9.15—Rome (31.15m., 420.8m.), Hamburg, Bremen.
9.30—Moscow (25m., 31.25m., 39.99m., 1,744m.), Hamburg, Bremen, Germany DJA and DJB.
9.45—Radio-Paris (1,648m.), Radio Cite (280.9m.), Stockholm (260m.).
9.55—Schenectady (19.51m. and 31.48m., Monday to Friday).
10. 0—B.B.C. Overseas Radio Eireann (Sunday, 10.5) Melbourne (25.21m.), Chungking (25.21m.).
10.10—Budapest (459.5m.).
10.15—Hamburg, Bremen, Burgos (238m.). Schenectady (19.57m.).
10.30—St. John's, Newfoundland (31.36m.). Moscow.
10.50—Wayne (25.36m., Monday to Friday).
11. 0—Boston (49.67m., Monday to Friday).
11.15—Hamburg, Bremen, Germany (DJA and DJB).
11.16—Rome (31.02m., 420.8m., Sunday at 11.45).
11.30—B.B.C. Overseas, Wayne (25.36m.). Monday to Saturday.
11.45—Pittsburg (25.26m., Monday to Friday).
12. 0—B.B.C. Home, Moscow.

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

WAVELENGTHS—391 Metres (Scottish) and 449 Metres (Northern).
News at 8 a.m., 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m., and midnight.

7. 0—Time, News.
7.10—The Norbert Weihmar Trio.
7.30—"Lift Up Your Hearts!" A Thought for To-day.
7.35—"Up in the Morning Early." Morning physical exercises for men.
7.45—Chorus Songs. Gramophone.
8. 0—Time, News, and a short summary of programmes.
8.15—A Pianoforte Recital by Michael Mullinar.
8.40—Robin Richmond at the Organ.
9. 0—The Tudor Sextet.
9.30—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
10. 0—Children in the House. "Amusing the Very Young." Olive Shapley.
10.15—Time, Daily Service.
10.30—Harry Evans and his Sextette Intime. A programme of popular tunes played in an intimate style. Music arranged by Harry Evans and Reg. Mitchell.
11. 0—For the Schools.
12. 0—Voselli and his Hungarian Orchestra, with Louise Hayward.
12.45—"Wales Through the Eyes of a Frenchman." Felix Gonneville.
1. 0—Time, News.
1.10—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.
2. 0—For the Schools.
3. 0—"Matinee." A programme of soft music, presented by Dorothy Hogben, with Diana Clare, Elsie Day, Dorcas Bristoll, Dorothy Green, and the Matinettes.
3.30—'Cello and Piano. A Sonata Recital by Haydn Rogerson (violoncello) and Stephen Wearing (pianoforte).
4. 0—Time, News.
4.15—"Ballooning Over Finland." Paul Shishkoff.
4.30—Melody Half-Hour, with Sidney Torch at the Organ and Appleton Moore (baritone). From the Gaumont State, Kilburn, London.
5. 0—Children's Hour.
5.30—Broadcast in Welsh on 261.1 m.
5.30—Variety. Harry Gordon, with Mamie Souter and Elizabeth French. The orchestra conducted by Kenlo Stephen. The programme presented by Robin Russell.
6. 0—Time, News.
6.15—Broadcast in Welsh on 261.1 m.
6.15—"In Britain Now." A National Magazine.
6.45—A Lieder Recital by John McKenna (tenor).
7. 0—National, Regional, Scottish, and Northern Ireland Announcements.
7.20—An excerpt from "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp." From the Lyceum Theatre, Sheffield.
7.45—"Men of the Hour, Stalin." By Stephen Graham.
8. 0—The Virtuoso Wind Quintet. Edward Walker (flute), John McCarthy (oboe), Alwyn Keil (clarinet), Gilbert Vinter (bassoon), Alan Hyde (horn).
8.30—Songs from "A Country Girl." Composed by Lionel Monckton, with additional melodies by Paul A. Rubens.
9. 0—Time, News.
9.15—Henry Ainley in "Roland." A heroic saga written for broadcasting by E. A. Harding, and based on Turoldi's song.
10.15—"Any Minute Now." A disappointing cabaret, produced by David Porter.
10.50—The B.B.C. Orchestra.
11.30—Carroll Gibbons and his Band.
12. 0—Time, News.
12.15—Close down.

ON THE CONTINENT

ANKARA (1,648 m.)—7.25-8.15 p.m.—National Philharmonic Orchestra, von Statzer (piano).

BERGMUNSTER (539.6 m.)—7.45-8.15 p.m.—Radio Orchestra.

BRUSSELS I. (483.9 m.)—8.30-10.0 p.m.—Belgian National Orchestra and Wagemans (violin).

BUDAPEST (364.5 m.)—8.35-9.45 p.m.—Programme from the Romanian Opera.

BUDAPEST (549.5 m.)—7.10-9.0 p.m.—Concert by the Budapest Philharmonic Society. Conductor: Dohnanyi.

HILVERSUM I. (1,875 m.)—9.0-9.25 p.m.—Ramblers' Dance Band.

HILVERSUM II. (301.6 m.)—7.35-9.10 p.m.—NCRV Orchestra, Vocal Quartet.

KALUNDBORG (1,250 m.)—8.20-10.0 p.m.—Preil's Dance Band.

MILAN (368.6 m.)—8.10-10.0 p.m.—Symphony Concert. Conductor: Gedda.

NAPLES (330.2 m.)—7.45 p.m.—Adrienne Lecouvreur—Opera (Cilea) from the Teatro La Fenice, Venice.

PARIS (PTT) (432.3 m.)—7.35-9.15 p.m.—Part I, Pelleas et Melisande—Opera (Debussy).

RADIO-PARIS (1,648 m.)—8.45-9.45 p.m.—Music.

ROME (422.6 m.)—10.15-11.0 p.m.—Dance Music.

SOTTENS (443.1 m.)—7.20-9.05 p.m.—Swiss romande Orchestra. Conductor: Denzler.

STOCKHOLM (1,571 m.)—8.25-9.10 p.m.—Gothenburg Radio Orchestra.

WEDDING

MR. W. L. HOWLEY AND MISS M. J. KEARNS

The wedding took place on Wednesday last of Mr. W. L. Howley, of Sligo, and Miss M. J. Kearns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kearns, Bonnybrook, Santry, County Dublin.

The Most Rev. Dr. Morrisroe, Bishop of Achonry, who performed the ceremony, was assisted by the Very Rev. J. Feeley, Adm., V.F., St. Mary's, Sligo, and the Rev. W. Byrne, C.C.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a wine-coloured ensemble. She was attended by her sister, Miss Molly Kearns, who wore a rose-coloured coat and a brown halo hat.

Mr. Patrick Howley acted as best man.

The honeymoon is being spent in the South of Ireland.

ABBEY THEATRE

Sean O'Casey's "Juno and the Paycock" will be revived at the Abbey Theatre next week. Eileen Crowe will again play Juno, with Cyril Cusack as her husband, Captain Boyle, and F. J. McCormick as his boon companion, Joxer Daly. Ria Mooney and Denis O'Dea will play Mary and Johnny Boyle, with Gerard Healy as Jerry Devine, and Maureen Delaney as Mrs. Maisie Madigan. Others in the cast will include: Michael J. Dolan, May Craig, Fred Johnson and Austin Meldon.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10 a.m. Psalm, 63. Chant, 91. Deus Fortitudinis, 55. Litany. Hymn, 454, vv. 1, 2, 4. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Unaccompanied Service. Psalm, 65. Chant, 75. Magnificat. Nunc Dimittis, Purcell in B minor. Anthem, "Drop, drop, slow tears," Gibbons.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. — Matins at 10.45 o'clock. Venite, 184. Psalm, 63 (186). Jubilate, 185. Litany. Evensong at 3 o'clock. Unaccompanied. Psalm, 66 (197, 196). Nunc Dimittis, Henry Aldrich (1647-1710) in G. Anthem, "All people that on earth do dwell," Thomas Tallis (1520-1585).

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WILL BE HELD IN THE
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Dancing 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Evening Dress.
TICKETS (including Tax and Supper), 8/6, may be had at 35 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin, or at the Gresham Hotel.
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ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
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ENTRIES
OF CANDIDATES WISHING TO BE EXAMINED BETWEEN FEBRUARY 1st and MARCH 31st CLOSE ON
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By Order of the Governors.
SEULY JEFFARES, Secretary.
12th January, 1940.

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RICHARDSON, WYNYARD, in
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THE GREEN TO-DAY, AT 2.30, 4.40, 6.50, 9.0.
WALLACE BEERY and JACKIE COOPER,
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Mats. till 5 p.m., 8d., 1/4. Evgs., 9d., 1/-, 1/4, 1/9.

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EDWARD SHACKLETON,
"The Why and Wherefore of Exploration."
MONDAY NEXT,
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SAVOY At 2.30, 4.50, 7.0, 9.25.
THE SCREEN'S ACTING TRIUMPH!
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TO-DAY AT 2.40, 4.55, 7.10, 9.25.
THE GREAT MUSICAL FUN SHOW,
MICKEY ROONEY, JUDY GARLAND, CHARLES WINNINGER, IN
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...LUNCH AT THE CAPITOL RESTAURANT...

ASTOR.
TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.5, 7.15, 9.30.
IRENE DUNNE,
IN THE DELIGHTFUL MUSICAL ROMANCE.
"SWEET ADELINE."

CARLTON BOOK NOW FOR SUNDAY NIGHT.
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"BLIND ALLEY,"
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Showing at 3, 5.15, 7.30, 9.45.
Also Propellers Whine a Hymn of Hate.
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"FLIGHT TO FAME,"
With Charles Farrell and Jacqueline Wells.
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All Exporters of Fat Cattle and Sheep are hereby informed that they should take immediate steps to authorise their appointed agent or representative selected from the panels published in yesterday's issue of this paper to act in their behalf in connection with the export of Fat Cattle and Sheep to Britain as from the 15th instant, and they should further authorise the selected agent or representative to receive payment from the British Ministry of Food in respect of their exports of Fat Cattle and Sheep as from that date.

JOHN FLEMING,
Secretary.
5 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.
11th January, 1940.

IRISH PIG DEALERS' ASSOCIATION.

All Exporters of Live Pigs are hereby informed that they should take immediate steps to authorise their appointed Agent in Britain to receive payment on their behalf from the British Ministry of Food in respect of their exports of Live Pigs to Britain.

JOHN FLEMING,
Secretary.
5 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.
11th January, 1940.

CUSTOMS REQUIREMENTS
WAR EMERGENCY.
TRAFFIC BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND EIRE (MERCHANDISE AND LIVE-STOCK BY GOODS AND PASSENGER SERVICES).

THE British and Irish Railway Companies and cross-Channel Shipping Companies hereby give notice that in consequence of the War Emergency Regulations the scales of charges for Customs clearance services on traffic between places in Great Britain and places in Eire will be increased by 33⅓ p.c. on and from 15th January, 1940. Details will be supplied on application.
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Per Head	4d.
Minimum per Consignment ...	2s. 0d.
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TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dublin District Court—10.30 a.m.
High and Circuit Courts—11 a.m.
Bray District Court—11 a.m.
Royal Dublin Society's Lecture—4 p.m.
University College, Dublin, Literary and Historical Society—8 p.m.
Holy Faith Past Pupils' Union Dance—Gresham Hotel, 9 p.m.
McBirney's Staff Dance—Metropole, 9 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS.
Gaiety Theatre—"Jimmy and the Leprechaun."
Olympia Theatre—"Cinderella."
Abbey Theatre—"Mixed Marriage" and "Village Wooing."
Gate Theatre—"Hamlet."
Metropole Cinema—"Stanley and Livingstone" and "Ferdinand the Bull."
Grafton Cinema—"Only Angels Have Wings."
Corinthian Cinema — "Tidal Wave" and "Mountain Rhythm."
Queen's Theatre—"Robinson Crusoe."
Theatre Royal—"Gracie Allen Murder Case" and Variety.
Regal Rooms Cinema — "Wuthering Heights."
Astor Cinema—"Sweet Adeline."
Theatre De Luxe—"Charlie Chan in Reno" and "Night Riders."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"Good-Bye, Mr. Chips."
The Green Cinema—"Treasure Island."
Savoy Cinema—"On the Night of the Fire."
Capitol Cinema—"Babes in Arms."
Carlton Cinema—"Blind Alley" and "Flight to Fame."
Adelphi Cinema — "The Starmaker" and "Nancy Drew, Trouble Maker."

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.37	8.36
Sets	4.31	4.32
Lighting-up Time	5. 1	5. 2

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	0.53	1.28
Evening	1. 6	1.41

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Drogheda	0.41	12.54
Dundalk	0.38	12.51
Galway	6.50	7.12
Limerick	8.20	8.42
Sligo	7.31	7.47
Waterford	8.10	8.27

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Thermometers.—111 Lower Grafton street. —(Advt.)

The Irish Times

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1940.

NEWS SUMMARY

GREAT BRITAIN

Two large vessels—one a British tanker in convoy and the other an Italian ship—were blown up by mines off the British coast yesterday.—(Page 5.)

One of the biggest air raids of the war took place yesterday, when German warplanes were seen over many parts of the British coast between the Forth and the Thames. No bombs were dropped on land, and the raiders were driven off by British machines.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD

The Finns continue to put up a stubborn resistance to the Russians, who are reported to have suffered a further defeat.—(Page 5.)

FINANCIAL

A distinctly firmer tone appeared in several sections of the London Stock Markets yesterday, and a feature of particular interest was the return to prominence of gilt-edged securities. British Rails had their best session for some time past, but Industrials turned dull, and Oil shares were mainly lower.—(Page 9.)

No striking price changes were noted in the Dublin Stock Markets yesterday, and the day finished with a fair number of moderate gains and losses.—(Page 9.)

Italy's Position

There are some strange "goings-on" in the world of diplomacy now days. All the old standards, such as they were, have been thrown to the winds, and there are so many statements and counter-statements, lies and counter-lies, that the ordinary man does not know what or whom to believe. On Wednesday night, in a special broadcast from Rome to New York, it was announced, presumably with the sanction of the Italian Government, that Italy was prepared to send military aid to Hungary in the event of an attack by Soviet Russia. Yesterday this statement was denied officially in Rome. It is impossible for the outsider to decide whether or not the original announcement was accurate; all that he knows is that it was made, and that it is not unreasonable to assume, particularly when dealing with a totalitarian country, that an official broadcast means what it says. Italy's position at the moment is highly interesting. There is no reason to doubt that before the outbreak of war Signor Mussolini was genuinely sympathetic with the German cause. His confidence in Herr Hitler may have been shaken to some extent when the Germans annexed the Austrian Republic without so much as "by your leave" to the Palazzo Chigi; but the Duce is a realist, who, having failed to get any satisfaction from either France or Great Britain, decided that Italian interests would be served best by the maintenance of the Rome-Berlin "axis." Since the outbreak of war the whole situation has been changed. Not only has Signor Mussolini come to the conclusion that the chances of a German victory are scant; he also has been deeply shocked by Herr Hitler's cynical arrangement with Soviet Russia. Signor Mussolini is a sincere hater of Communism in all its shapes and forms. He dreads the extension of Russian influence in the Balkan Peninsula more than he dreads anything else, and ever since Herr von Ribbentrop went on his fateful mission to Moscow there has been a noticeable wobble in the Rome-Berlin "axis." The Italians may not love the French or the British—although most Italians have a traditional affection for England—but they loathe the Bolsheviks, and everything for which Moscow stands. They have been particularly affected by Comrade Stalin's brutal attack on Finland—so much so, indeed, that they have been trying to send assistance to the hard-pressed Finns. It seems that this assistance took the shape, in part at any rate, of aeroplanes. They were despatched *via* Germany, and were sent in parts, which were held up by the Germans at the port of Sassnitz. The Italian Government, quite properly, took the view that, since Russia does not consider herself at war with Finland—just as Japan does not consider herself at war with China—the Germans have no legal right to regard themselves as neutrals, and that, therefore, there is no justification for their attitude in regard to the aeroplanes. Apparently, they have demanded the return of the machines in question by the Germans, who so far have ignored their representations, with the result that a rather piquant situation has arisen. Herr Hitler is torn between his friendship for Signor Mussolini and his unholy alliance with the Bolsheviks. If he allows the aeroplanes to go to Finland, or even sends them back to Italy, whence they can be forwarded by another route, he will incur the displeasure of Comrade Stalin. If he confiscates the machines he will alienate the sympathies of the Italian nation. What is the poor man to do? He needs Russia's help, just as he needs Italian sympathy; but, unhappily for him, he cannot have both at the same time. If the Russians invade either Bessarabia or Ruthenia Italy will take immediate steps to oppose them, because Signor Mussolini will not tolerate Bolshevism in the Balkans. What will happen to the Rome-Berlin axis then? It is a pretty problem, which only time will solve.

The Japanese Cabinet

The Japanese Cabinet, formed almost immediately after war began in Europe, is under fire. Considerably more than half the members of Parliament have signed a declaration of lack of confidence, and make no secret of their belief that the Government deserves to live no longer. Yet this is a "moderate" Government—for Japan. It certainly is more "moderate" than its immediate predecessors—the military juntas which precipitated the war with China, brought Japan to the verge of war with Great Britain, and lured its country into an association with the Rome-Berlin "axis" which has been repented in sackcloth and ashes during the past few months. General Abe, the Prime Minister, has tried to repair the mistakes of his predecessors. He has controlled the worst excesses of the anti-British campaign in North China and the Treaty ports. Although the negotiations between Great Britain and China, which were interrupted last summer by the blockade of Tientsin, have not yet been resumed, or, if resumed, have not yet come to anything, General Abe and his Cabinet have offered many signs of their desire to live at peace with Great Britain. Indignities no longer are offered to British subjects, and the previous fulminations of the Japanese Press have diminished to murmurs. The Cabinet also has sought peace with Russia. Months ago the notorious M. Molotoff hinted that the U.S.S.R. would not be averse from a *modus vivendi* with the Japanese; but it is only of late that the Japanese have given any sign of a favourable response. The two countries have made an informal agreement with regard to the Siberian frontiers, which previously had been a bone of contention, and the political correspondents are talking of a political agreement between them—which, however, can amount at the best only to an uneasy truce. General Abe's Cabinet, furthermore, has done its best to conciliate American opinion; and, finally, it has sought during the last few weeks to arrange a peace with the Chinese. The attempt is not likely to succeed. Just as Russia established a puppet "Government" in Finland, for the purpose of negotiation, so Japan hopes to treat with a puppet "Government" of those parts of China which she has overrun. The principal lay figure is Mr. Wang Ching-wei, a former Prime Minister of China, who was expelled from the Kuomintang a year ago for his Japanese leanings. The Japanese Cabinet and Army have agreed upon terms with Mr. Wang Ching-wei. China must abandon all claim to Manchukuo, join the anti-Komintern Pact, tolerate Japanese garrisons at strategic points; in return, her sovereignty will be respected, and she will not be required either to sacrifice territory or to pay indemnities. Even if the agreement is concluded, it will be worthless; for Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and his advisers, who are the real Government of China, will not accept it. Yet the offer represents a "climb-down" by the Japanese Government, and suggests that the Army's influence is on the wane. If so, the Cabinet is bound to suffer. Thus far it has existed only by grace of the Army, but there are abundant signs that the popular parties, which have been hiding their heads for some time, are recovering courage for an assault upon the ruling junta. General Abe may defy them for a time. His country, however, is weary of war, and surrender cannot be long deferred.

Time's Partner

By this time the new year is almost a fortnight old, and we have all settled down already to regard 1940 with the same familiarity or contempt that we had for 1939. Most new year resolutions have gone with the wind; nineteen out of every twenty diarists, who set out with such fervour less than two weeks ago to record every night in their little books the exciting pageant of their lives, have decided by now that their days are days of small things—that is as good an excuse as any—and the neglected diaries for the next week or so will remain reproachfully on the bedside table before being cast into the utter darkness behind the coats in the wardrobe. All kinds of new leaves that were turned over with such hope and promise for the future have become soiled again; and most of those who gave up liquor and smoking "for the rest of their lives" have come to the delighted conclusion that they were better off as they were before. We have all, to the relief of our friends, returned to normal. One sign of the season remains. The complement of calendars for 1940 was well up to average, and, when the diningroom mantelpiece becomes visible again there will be, possibly, three for every room in the house. In easier years, as a writer to *The Times* remarked, it has been a wise practice to have several of these; since, like making a salad or lighting a bonfire, the changing of the calendar weekly is one of the things which every member of a family is convinced that no other member can do precisely so well as himself. The thought of those days of strife and sulks and injured feelings can be put aside safely, however, for another year. That multitude of kindly and charitable societies have been as kindly and as charitable as ever in their distribution of calendars, and though the grocer, the butcher, and the greengrocer decided that they could no longer afford the annual Christmas-box to "regulars" to the great wrath, we may say, of the "regulars"!—they have not been so stingy with their new year calendars or their compliments. Some of these calendars reveal unexpected tastes. Our own grocer sent quite a startling picture of a cottage with roses growing round the door, set in a landscape of glistening snow, while the butcher exposed a sensitive and aesthetic soul by choosing for his customers a chaste and beautiful impression of crocuses and sparse snowdrops blooming among the bare ruins of a winter garden. What would become of us all without these useful, but much disparaged, gifts, it is difficult to imagine. With calendars at their present prices we are not likely to buy many for ourselves, and it will be a sad day when we have to get up and go along to the front room every time we wish to know the date. Yet even now, with calendars hanging literally on top of one another round the walls, nine out of ten husbands will turn vaguely to their wives this very morning and ask what day of the month it is, and they, like the lady in *Punch* some weeks ago, are sure to answer: "It's the twelfth of January, dear, according to the newspaper."

The City Beautiful

Dubliners who are conscious of the fact that they are citizens of no mean city will salute the blind boy who, in a competition open to children under fourteen in the primary schools, has won first prize for an essay on "Keeping Our City Beautiful." It has been pleasing to notice at all times the readiness of the people to guide blind persons across the roadway, or to assist them in boarding or leaving tramcars and buses—a matter in which the conductors also show a ready sympathy—but here is a blind boy who is giving a lead to all the citizens. He has a pride in the city where he dwells, but which he has never seen, and he wants all the citizens to share that pride, and to assist each other in making and keeping it a city beautiful. The competition in which he has secured pride of place was conducted by the Irish Tourist Association, on behalf of the Dublin Corporation, in furtherance of the "Brighter Dublin" campaign, and the originators of the idea deserve warm congratulations. On several occasions, when deploring the lack of civic spirit which prevails in this ancient city—and the stupid vandalism which repeatedly has frustrated attempts to enhance its appearance—we suggested that the only remedy was to inculcate a pride in their city among the rising generation, and this competition is a step in that direction. We trust that the authorities will not rest on their oars now, but will carry on the good work in every possible direction among the youngsters—by means of radio talks to the schools, city tours for the children, illustrated pamphlets and any other method that suggests itself. Even the blind can perceive our civic shortcomings, and little Martin Conneely, the prize-winning essayist, comments upon "the nasty scents that come from unkempt houses or shops," and the "very unmannerly language" which he can hear. Those self-sacrificing people who are engaged upon social work in the slums are familiar with the smells bred of squalor, and are doing their best to spread the gospel of cleanliness, but find themselves opposed by the very nature of the surroundings and the apathy of poverty. It must be admitted, however, that there are many offences to the olfactory nerves, even in the better quarters of the city, which have no such excuse. As for the language which is "frequent and painful and free," it is prevalent, unfortunately, among a large section of the population which should know better. We may pride ourselves on speaking Elizabethan English, but far too many of our citizens have replaced the full-bodied Elizabethan oaths with adjectives and expletives of a coarseness that would shock Billingsgate. Worst offence of all is the frequency with which the name of the Deity is profaned. The blind boy has shown what is needed to all whom it concerns, but there are none so blind as those who will not see.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

THE FOURTH FINNISH VICTORY

Commenting editorially to-day on the fourth Finnish victory within the space of a month on the Suomussalmi front, which is the most complete and brilliant of the series, *The Times* remarks:—Scarcely less important to the Finns than the victory itself is the rich booty which it has brought in. History is repeating itself here. The heroic band of peasants and folk from the little towns of Ostrobothnia who gathered about their leader in the spring of 1918 had to fight for the arms with which they were to win bigger battles. The mingled audacity and cool calculation, the mobility, economy of force, use of cover, initiative and individualism which are being displayed in all the open warfare are not merely the characteristics of a people who are natural soldiers; for the best of natural soldiers are the better for a sound doctrine. The military skill with which the Finnish Army is defending itself is the direct legacy of the Finnish national hero, Mannerheim, handed on to the young German-trained cadets of 1918, who to-day form the Finnish Higher Command. Meanwhile, another struggle is raging 120 miles farther north, in the neighbourhood of Salla, of which the issue remains in doubt. It was in this sector that the Russians achieved a far deeper, if slightly less dangerous, penetration during December, when their Salla column reached the Kemi River to be surprised by a sudden flank attack and flung back with heavy loss.

The Russians, however, are not lacking in the virtue of persistence. They have brought up strong reinforcements to this part of the front, and the latest reports suggest that they are again pressing forward from Salla towards Kemijarvi. It is to be hoped that the Finns will succeed in mastering this peril also, and there is every ground for the belief that victory will not now desert their arms. But it must be recognised that they are being very highly tried.

MR. C. W. C. D. HACKETT

Mr. C. W. C. D. Hackett, whose name appears in the *London Gazette* of the 5th instant as having been appointed to the Indian Army, is the son of Major and Mrs. T. D. Hackett, Dunavon, Craigavad, Co. Down, and grandson of the Very Rev. Dr. T. A. Hackett, late Dean of St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick, and of the late Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. Alexander, of Carrickmore, Co. Tyrone.

Mr. Hackett was educated at Summer Fields, near Oxford (the Rev. Dr. Cyril Williams), and Wellington College. He distinguished himself in athletics at both these schools.

Of the Wellington College candidates for the R.M.C. Sandhurst in the competitive examination held in June, 1939, Mr. Hackett scored the highest marks for interview and record. He was awarded a King's India Cadetship. At the R.M.C. Sandhurst he was top man of his company in musketry.

COURT AND PERSONAL

The Princess Royal and Lord Harewood paid a formal visit to Leeds on Wednesday last.

Viscount Craigavon, who is suffering from a slight indisposition, has been obliged to cancel his recent public appointments.

Viscountess Craigavon, President of the Ulster Women Unionist Council, attended the "Knitting At-home" on Wednesday last in the Unionist Headquarters, Glengall street, Belfast.

Countess Jellicoe has left the Isle of Wight for Sunningdale.

Viscount Forbes, eldest son of the Earl of Granard, has been granted a commission in the R.A.F. for the duration of the war as a squadron leader.

Viscount and Viscountess Halifax gave a farewell dinner party in London on Tuesday night last in honour of the Brazilian Ambassador and Dona Gina Regis de Oliviera.

Lord Killanin has left Spiddal House, Co. Galway, for England.

Sir William and Lady Seeds have arrived in England from Moscow.

Sir John Stewart-Wallace and Major Sir Ralph Glyn were present at the dinner party given in London earlier in the week by Mr. Philip Inman for Sir Philip Gibbs.

The United States Consul-General, Mr. H. H. Balch, has left Dublin for Genoa.

The Duke of Alba, Spanish Ambassador in London, is spending a holiday in Switzerland with his daughter, Dona Cargetana Fitz-James Stuart y Silva.

Miss Arabella MacIntosh, who has been staying at Lismore Castle, has returned to England.

Lady Rathdonnell has had her sister, Miss Drew, staying with her at Lisnavagh, Carlow.

Captain Boyd-Rochfort will succeed Major Shirley as Senior Steward of the Irish National Hunt Steeplechase Committee on January 23rd.

The engagement has been announced between James Barry, Munster and Leinster Bank, St. Patrick's Bridge, Cork, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Barry, Kill-St. Anne, Castlelyons, Co. Cork, and Vera, younger daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Sullivan and of Mrs. Sullivan, Eglantine, Cork.

All Model Coats and Copies at Switzers are greatly reduced during the Sale, and there are some exceptionally interesting offers in this Department. Many of these beautiful Coats are trimmed Silver Fox, Dyed Ermine and Persian Lamb.

At Vard's—During our January Sale all Furs are offered at pre-war prices. Our stock, including a large collection of Russian Furs, was purchased previous to the war. Wonderful values.—David Vard, Ltd., 8 Grafton st., Dublin, and 119 Patrick st., Cork.

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Dunne, 30 Wicklow street, Dublin—Special Sale of Children's Coats, for one week only.

For Leopardstown—New Models arriving and being copied at very special prices just now.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton st., Dublin.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
Among the departures were:—Wing-Commander Charles Tighe, Mrs. Charles Tighe, V. B. Herzog, Squadron-Leader A. Stack, Mrs. M. F. O'Donnell, A. W. Simpson Mr. and Mrs. Richer, Miss Richer, Miss Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. N. Mansergh, Dr. and Mrs. P. J. Cremin, Miss S. O'Driscoll, Miss B. O'Driscoll, J. W. Rice, T. L. Dowling, S. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Keogh, J. P. O'Reilly, P. L. Roosch, B. Sterling-Berry.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE VIA LIVERPOOL.
Among the departures were:—Captain Lord Killanin, Mr. H. H. Balch, Mr. Melling, Mr. D. Slater, Mr. Caplan, Miss M. E. Moore, Miss Mullally, Miss Mason, Mr. A. F. de Tullo, Mr. J. Kelly, Mr. J. Renwick, Mr. I. F. Cordon, Mrs. J. Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Tussaud, Mrs. Bere, Miss H. Long, Rev. Father Brady, Professor MacLaughlin, Rev. M. Brennan, Major Wilson, Miss Lacy, Lieut. R. O'Donnell, Miss Griffin, Mr. MacLaughlin, Mrs. Gudgeon, Miss Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Miss Moore, Mr. C. H. Goulding, Mrs. Bradley, Mr. J. V. Fawbert, Mrs. C. Harrison, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. E. M. Tatham, Miss E. Perracott, Miss Herbison.

PASSENGERS BY AER LINGUS SERVICES
Among the arrivals were:—Mr. and Mrs. Lathan, Mr. Horrocks, Mr. Hanley, Mr. Skinner, Dr. Hayporthwaite, Mrs. Hayporthwaite, Miss A. Rowles.
Among the departures were:—Miss Langford, Mr. Moore, Mr. Caplan, Dr. Daly.

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25 YEARS AGO

From the "Irish Times," 12th January, 1915.

FIGHTING IN THE SNOW.
Heavy snow on the Western front had interrupted a week of severe fighting. The French reported that in the previous day's fighting a trench with a front of about 500 metres had been taken after a very violent engagement. Bad weather had also held up operations in Poland, but the Russians, according to a telegram from Bukharest, had taken Bukovina. Thousands of fugitives were said to be crossing the Roumanian frontier, while many of the inhabitants of the province were making for Budapest and Vienna by way of the Bistritza Valley, the only route which was still in the possession of the Austrians.

CANADIAN FLAX FOR ULSTER.
A message from Ottawa stated that a representative of the Belfast linen manufacturers had arrived there to enlist the aid of the Canadian farmers in supplying flax to take the place of the fibre supply which had been cut off by the war. He was to tour the whole of Manitoba and the western provinces. The use of the stems in Canada had hitherto been neglected for want of an economic method of treatment.

IN DUBLIN.
A meeting of the Law Students' Debating Society was held at the King's Inns, Dublin, under the chairmanship of Mr. Stephen O'Brien. The subject for debate was "That the Encouragement of Art is a Duty of the State," and the following gentlemen spoke:—Messrs. Burke, Binchy, Hughes, Mooney, Gharpuray, Davitt, McMenamin, MacMahon, Chettiar and Quin.

U.S. FLEET EXPANSION

ADMIRAL STARK'S ANALYSIS

WASHINGTON, Thursday.

Admiral Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, declared before the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives to-day:—

"We must face the possibility of an Allied defeat in the present war. Then we must measure the strength of any potential combinations of enemies."

The Committee is considering the proposed 1,300,000,000 dollars expansion of the Fleet, and Admiral Stark argued that the most important factor in its favour was its moderation.

Admiral Stark explained that a much larger expansion programme would be necessary to guarantee the United States complete security.

He said that the Navy intended to begin construction as soon as funds were available on all new and replacement ships at present authorised, as well as on the proposed expansion programme, provided Congress approved the latter.

"We are leaving nothing on paper," he declared.

Admiral Stark said that the proposed naval increases could be accomplished by 1945 at a reasonable cost with existing facilities.

"Postponement might well be a cause for serious regret," he said.

John P. M'Donnell, whose address was given as Castle street, Ballycastle, and as present teaching in Sligo, was fined 20s. at Whitehabbey Petty Sessions yesterday for driving a car without due care and attention. The allegation was that the defendant crashed into the rear of a tram from which passengers were alighting at Hazelwood gates.

LONDON LETTER

BRITAIN'S BALLOON BARRAGE

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

BRITAIN now is surrounded by a balloon barrage, manned by more officers and men than were in the entire Royal Air Force some years ago. The progress in the development of the barrage since the beginning of the war has been remarkable. Not only do the balloons surround cities and towns, but they protect harbours and anchorages, and are even placed out at sea. The mobility of the barrage was amply demonstrated recently when in a few hours a complete protection was put in position to guard the approaches of the Firth of Forth. The barrage crews have a heavy task, wind and weather variations frequently necessitating the calling out of crews some three or four times a night. The barrage crews have had their fair share of colds and influenza, due mainly to the conditions of their duties, but on the whole, the average level of resistance to such illnesses is satisfactory.

Proposed Channel Tunnel

Vladimir Dormesson, the Diplomatic Correspondent of the Paris *Figaro* to-day asks: "At the next meeting of the Supreme Council why should not the heads of the Allied Governments promise that on the very day peace is signed work should be begun on the Channel tunnel?" This suggestion follows upon Mr. Chamberlain's declaration that co-operation between Britain and France might prove so valuable that when the war was over neither would want to give it up. M. Dormesson points out that a Channel tunnel, in the first place, would show that the Franco-British alliance was to continue in a pacific sphere, and secondly, it would demonstrate the determination of the Allies to provide work after demobilisation for those of their men who needed it. Finally, it would inaugurate a policy of great civilising enterprises which should contribute to assuring peace and well-being for all.

Next Tuesday's Debate

The House of Commons will be crowded on Tuesday next for the debate on the resignation of Mr. Hore-Belisha. Requests for admission to the public galleries are pouring in on members. A keen interest was taken in the ballot for tickets yesterday, as members who had been able to put down their names for the ballot before Parliament rose last month did not do so, but at that time the attraction for the re-opening day was the probability that Mr. Chamberlain would make a statement on the progress of the war. When it became known that there would be a debate on the War Office affair, many members who had not included their names in the original demand for tickets wrote hastily asking that they should be included in the draw.

Requisitioned Ships

Shipowners expect that the Government soon will announce its terms for requisitioned ships, which, it is thought, will be based on time-charter rates. Shipowners at present are having a struggle to obtain reasonable profit margins, as officials are continually reminding them that they were "profiteers" in the last war, and that no such thing can happen again. This accusation of "profiteering," however, appears to be overdone. The risks of business in war-time are very great, and shipowners must be given an opportunity of earning sufficient to maintain their fleets against the rivalry of neutral countries. Neutral tonnage now is more than double what it was in 1914, Japan alone having 5,630,000 tons, as against 1,708,000 tons in 1914.

A Salesmen's Difficulty

British salesmen now going abroad in quest of customers are likely to find themselves caught in a tangle of "red tape." To make things easier for them, the Censorship authorities are about to open a Travellers' Examination Section in London at the end of the month. This, it is hoped, will put an end to the delays caused by inspection of business documents, such as catalogues and blue prints, and by the questioning of Scotland Yard officers, war security police, Customs and Home Office officials. An official of the Sales Managers' Association to-day said that many of his members were interested in foreign markets, and would travel much more if the regulations were made easier. It is suggested in other quarters that what is needed to-day is one control, which will appreciate the necessity of getting orders from abroad. Such a control does not exist at present.

L.M.S. Meeting

Great interest attaches to any proceedings of the railway companies at the present time, and the understanding that the London, Midland and Scottish directors have decided to hold their meeting on February 22 will be welcomed in the City of London, as dividends for the past year are to be discussed. The date is later than usual, this being due to the absence of any official decision as to the terms of Government compensation. It does not follow, however, that there will be news by the date mentioned. If circumstances should necessitate such a course, the date of the meeting may be postponed, and this is not unlikely should the discussions of compensation be protracted.

Sion College Treasures

On the Victoria Embankment stands Sion College, a reconstruction of one of London's most ancient colleges, rich in literary treasures, where a recent survey has revealed a number of rare old books worth thousands of pounds. The college already possessed six Caxtons, a second folio Shakespeare and a superb collection of the earlier Bibles. Stored away in the cellars were many old books, and examination has shown that among these are a 1562 version of the New Testament, early editions of Cicero, Petrarch and other classics, with rarities of Goldsmith, Swift, Gay, as well as many manuscripts. The librarian, Mr. C. Edgar Thomas, says that the discovery has been a splendid windfall for the college, as many old medical books rescued from the lumber, and of no practical use to the library, realised more than £2,000 when sold, the proceeds being applied to essential restoration work in the college and library.

Torch Batteries

British manufacturers to-day have fixed retail prices for torch batteries of the size most in demand, and generally known as the No. 8, being priced at 3½d., while the standard pocket lamp batteries are at 6d., and those for cycle lamps 9d. These prices, however, do not apply to batteries of foreign origin now being sold in London at prices much above those fixed by British manufacturers. There is still great difficulty in obtaining batteries, the few that are obtainable being mainly of foreign make. Progress in the London streets at night without a torch is a hazardous undertaking, and any action the Government can take to expedite the delivery of batteries for civilian use will meet with an appreciative welcome.

SIR

GERMANS' BIGGEST TIP-AND-RUN AIR RAID

COAST CROSSED FROM FORTH TO THAMES

Warplanes Seen Over Many Towns

DRIVEN OUT TO SEA BY BRITISH FIGHTERS

Anti-Aircraft Shrapnel Falls in Several Places

IN the most widespread raids of the war so far, German warplanes yesterday crossed the British coast-line at points from East Scotland right down to the Thames Estuary.

Anti-aircraft guns were in action when raiders were seen over the

East Coast of Scotland, Firth of Forth, Humber Estuary, South Shields, Newcastle, Thames Estuary.

No attack on any land objective was reported, but off the Norfolk coast some of the raiders bombed a merchant ship until British Figher aircraft engaged them, the Air Ministry stated afterwards.

It is not known whether this was the steamer which crowds on an East Coast cliff-top saw blazing furiously on the horizon. They heard what they thought were bomb explosions, and some saw a 'plane over the vessel before it caught fire.

A steamer off the Norfolk coast last night reported that she saw a low-flying German 'plane drop bombs near a sandbank.

Two German bombers made an unsuccessful attempt to sink a trawler off the East Coast of Scotland. They flew low, firing their machine-guns at the ship. Slight damage was done by bomb splinters and bullets.

On the approach of British Fighters the attackers made off and the trawler returned to port.

FIRST VISIT TO TYNESIDE

The raiders were over Newcastle shortly after 10 a.m. It was Tyneside's first raid of the war. Anti-aircraft guns opened up and a house was slightly damaged by shell splinters. Some people, ignoring the danger of falling shrapnel, rushed into the streets from places of shelter and watched the shells bursting in the sky around a 'plane high overhead.

Then fighter patrols went up and chased the Germans out to sea. No air raid warning was given and no bombs were dropped. Shrapnel fell in many districts, and, although there were no reports of injuries, one woman had a narrow escape when her glasses were smashed.

A woman on the sea front of a north-east coast town said: "I saw a 'plane very high overhead, with shells bursting around it. A number of British 'planes came along at a great speed, broke formation and went towards the other aircraft, which disappeared in the clouds."

SHRAPNEL AS SOUVENIRS

Shrapnel fell in the streets of South Shields when a German aircraft was driven off by heavy gunfire.

Another report was that three German 'planes took part in the raid and were pursued by six British fighters.

After the German 'planes had passed over South Shields large quantities of shrapnel were picked up by people in the streets and retained as souvenirs. Several houses were struck by shrapnel, but in every case the damage was only external and very slight. No one was hurt.

It was later learned that only one German 'plane was sighted.

BLACK RAIDERS

SCOTTISH COAST CROSSED

Towns on the South-East coast of Scotland saw considerable activity. People in one town saw three large black 'planes disappear seawards when a squadron of British fighters appeared. Machine-gun fire and detonations were heard, and afterwards British 'planes patrolled the area.

Two German Dorniers flew over the South-East coast of England about 20,000 feet up, and were reported later over Kent towns and villages at 14,000 feet.

British 'planes took off in pursuit, but no guns were fired.

THAMES GUNS IN ACTION

Anti-aircraft guns on the Essex coast were in action at about 1 p.m., when aircraft flew eastwards high over the Thames Estuary. The gun-fire followed the 'planes out to sea.

At about the same time heavy fire from batteries in districts of the Thames Estuary drove off a 'plane which appeared from the direction of the south coast circled over a Sussex town at so great a height that it was scarcely visible, and then turned and flew towards the sea.

Another raider which was seen over a Kent town disappeared out to sea over the Thames Estuary when the guns opened fire. No raid warnings were sounded.

BRITISH SHIPS SAVED

DISABLED RAIDER CHASED FORTY MILES

Three R.A.F. fighter aircraft saved three British cargo ships from damage by a Geramn raider in the North Sea yesterday morning. After a running fight the raider was last seen with smoke pouring from one wing and his port engine disabled.

The three pilots—all sergeants—were on patrol off the Norfolk coast in their Spitfire Fighters when they sighted a Heinkel bomber circling 50 feet above the ships. As soon as the German spotted the Fighters he hurriedly dropped a salvo of bombs, which missed the ships, and fled eastwards.

The Spitfires, diving thousands of feet, chased the Heinkel for forty miles out to sea. Each Fighter in turn fired bursts as the Heinkel skimmed almost at sea level.

One British pilot, swerving round from the attack, could see the bullets of another Spitfire hitting the Heinkel.

When the German was last seen the propeller of his port engine was turning slowly, and smoke was coming from his port wing.

HEINKEL BOMBER SILENCED

FIGHT OVER NORTH SEA

The defeat of a Heinkel bomber in a North Sea clash with an R.A.F. patrol 'plane became known last night. Outmanœuvred, and its guns silenced, the German 'plane sought refuge in the clouds and escaped.

The incident happened on Wednesday. The British macnine, which belonged to the Coastal Command, gave 'chase as soon as the big twin-engined, fine streamlined monoplane was sighted.

The British pilot opened fire with his front gun, and as the Heinkel tried to escape administered more punishment, pressing home the attack from below.

During a second encounter the German bomber's rear gun was silenced and its retractable under-carriage began to drop, the release mechanism having, apparently, been smashed by bullets.

DIVE TO THE SEA

While the front gun of the British machine was being reloaded the Heinkel dived almost to the surface of the sea, but the British pilot had a surprise ready, and outwitted this manœuvre by following up and dropping two heavy bombs, which exploded under the German's tail.

The German climbed sharply to 500 feet, as if to evade a repetition of this kind of attack, and as it passed the British aircraft its side gun fired continuously. One of its guns seemed to have jammed, and the hydraulic mechanism of the turret was so deranged by accurate fire that it was impossible to train the only other serviceable gun.

The German obviously realised his hopeless position, and took the first chance to lose his pursuer.

ABERDEEN TRAWLERS BOMBED

"GERMANS ARE GOOD MISSERS," SAILOR SAID

For half-an-hour two German 'planes bombed and machine-gunned two Aberdeen trawlers, the Burnbanks and the Dandolo, off the north-east coast of Scotland yesterday.

Although at times the machines flew so low that they were mast-high, their bombs failed to secure a single hit.

After cutting away their gear, both trawlers escaped and returned safely to port.

"They were good missers," said a member of one crew laconically. "It will be alright if they are all like that."

When the crew of the Burnbanks tried to launch their small boat they were machine-gunned and had to seek shelter.

"The 'planes after the first attack came back seven or eight times," Skipper David Main said later.

Bullets from the machine-guns swept the deck, striking the winch, the engine-room casing, and the funnel. The crew took shelter in the galley, while the trawler pursued a circular course until the skipper courageously went up into the wheelhouse to steer a course, making the vessel a more difficult target.

Bombs were dropped around the Dandolo

WEDNESDAY'S AIR BATTLE

HOW THE MESSERSCHMITTS FOUGHT

The crack German Messerschmitt 100s, though armed with cannon as well as machine-guns, appeared anxious to keep out of British gunners' range in the big air battle fought over the North Sea on Wednesday, further details of which were available in London last night.

One British aircraft was lost and one enemy fighter was brought down. Another German aircraft made a forced landing in Denmark, its crew being interned.

The Messerschmitts concentrated their fire on the outside aircraft of the British formation.

One of the British air gunners said: "We came down from 5,000 feet almost to sea level as soon as we were attacked, so that they could not get beneath us. We kept close formation.

"The fighters attacked in a shallow dive, usually from the quarter or from the beam, opening fire with cannon and machine-guns from a distance of about 600 yards, but seldom closing to nearer than 200 yards.

"They seemed anxious to get out of range of our guns, and usually turned away when we opened fire. As they broke away, climbing for another attack, they showed us their bellies, and our tracer bullets seemed to be going straight into them. Certainly, some of them must have gone home heavier than they set out, because some of our chaps fired more than 500 rounds during the action, and they didn't all miss."

Sympathy with the family of Mr. T. A. Fannin in the loss which they have suffered through his death was expressed by the members of the Committee of the Dublin Mercantile Association, Ltd., at a meeting held at 3 Burgh quay, Dublin, yesterday. Mr. Fannin was President of the Association in the years 1925 and 1933, and as a colleague was greatly appreciated by all the members. His counsel was always available and freely given.

AIR FIGHTS FREQUENT

'Planes Laying Magnetic Mines

MORE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL
PARIS, Thursday.

BOTH Allied and German 'planes have been taking the air in great numbers as a result of the excellent visibility, which, together with severely cold, dry weather, prevails on the Western front. There have been numerous encounters between French and German machines, and the French official communiqué today announces that two German 'planes were brought down inside the French lines. The German official communiqué admits the loss of one 'plane, and claims that two enemy machines were brought down.

Both sides have been sending machines, protected by fighter aircraft, on reconnoitring and photographic missions over the front. In addition to this renewed activity on the front, the Germans have made several long-distance reconnoitring flights over Northern and Eastern France, as well as day and night flights towards the east coast of Britain.

MINE-LAYING

The object of these night flights is believed to have been the laying of magnetic mines.

The activity of the land forces continues to be great, although no big operations have taken place.

Patrolling and reconnoitring activity has been particularly marked to the east and west of the Vosges, where there have been a great number of patrols and some artillery fire. Here and there brushes between the troops have resulted. The most important of these occurred west of the Saare, where some 50 to 100 French troops encountered a similar number of Germans. There was a lively engagement, lasting some time. The French troops regained their lines without any having been taken prisoner.

General Sir Edmund Ironside, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, after visiting the British G.H.Q. with Mr. Winston Churchill, made a rapid tour of the Maginot Line with General Gamelin, states the Havas Correspondent with the B.E.F. He returned to England to-day, the correspondent adds.

RIVAL CLAIMS

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL
BERLIN, Thursday.

The official German *communiqué* reports: "An enemy attack, carried out by a company south of Sarrebruecken, was repelled by a German counter-attack. The enemy suffered losses in dead and prisoners."

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL
PARIS, Thursday.

To-night's French war *communiqué* states: "An increased artillery activity on either side, also a fair amount of activity on the part of both Air Forces, was noticeable to-day. An enemy reconnoitring 'plane was brought down within our lines."

BRIGHT SIDE OF BLACK-OUT

BELFAST SAVING OF £57,000

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

Owing to the reduced cost of street-lighting, in consequence of the black-out, the estimates of the Belfast Police Committee for the year ending March, 1941, show a reduction of £57,407, the figures being £82,271, compared with £139,678 in the current year.

ALLIES ALSO IN PEACE

French Tribute to Britain

"IMMENSE EMPIRE OF LIBERTY"

THE French Chamber decided yesterday to put off until next Tuesday the discussion of measures to be taken to exclude Communists from the Chamber.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Thursday.

To-day's session of the Chamber was entirely taken up with the speech of M. Herriot, the President of the Chamber, who said: "The presence of British troops beside our soldiers and their chiefs, the constant assistance of England and the Dominions, are obvious signs of a solidarity which through successful formulas will extend itself in future to commercial and financial organisation and set an example which can continue in peace.

"The two immense Empires have pooled all their resources for the sake of the same ideal. It is no longer two nations fighting side by side; it is an immense Empire of liberty fighting against the block of tyrannies."

The Anti-Communist Bill, the consideration of which the Chamber has postponed until Tuesday, proposed to deprive of their seats all Communist deputies who have not renounced Moscow.

Two Chamber committees—one dealing with universal suffrage and the other with civil legislation—are claiming that the bill should be referred to them and the Chamber will have to decide to which committee the bill should go. In the former it will probably have a quick passage, but the latter committee may not be so speedy as some of its members, it is understood, regard the bill as making a big change in the constitution and creating a new precedent.

BLOWING HOT AND COLD

LIFE IN MADRID AND BUENOS AIRES

There is a heat wave in Buenos Aires—6,000 miles from England. Eight people have been killed by the heat, and the price of ice has jumped by 700 p.c.

Madrid shivered as snow fell, and the temperature dropped below freezing point.

Ice and snow paralysed activity in Budapest. The Danube is frozen solid.

Sheets of ice floated on the Black Sea.

French and Swiss soldiers, whose frontier cuts across the frozen lake Less Brenets, pushed aside frontier formalities and skated hilariously—even on the wrong side.

There was so much noise that the commanding officers ordered the middle of the lake to be declared the frontier, and put barrels to make sure the men would keep to their own side.—(Associated Press.)

SNOWSTORMS STOP U.S. AIR TRAVEL

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.
NEW YORK, Thursday.

Winter weather, which has paralysed trans-Atlantic air travel since before Christmas, caused the principal air lines here to cancel their flights to Chicago and the Middle West to-day, although two inbound aeroplanes arrived here by way of St. Louis.

The storm of rain and snow, which has made flying dangerous, is expected to reach New York by to-night.

A west-bound Clipper of the Pan-American Airways, it was learned to-day, had been held up at Horta (Azores) since December 23rd by heavy ocean swells.

Her 25 passengers were transferred to the Italian liner Rex, which is arriving here to-morrow.

Another Clipper is waiting in Lisbon for the weather to improve.

Ice-breakers are working in part of the New York Harbour and in the upper reaches of the Hudson River.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

BATHS AT A DISCOUNT

RATIONING IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Thursday.

Berlin central-heated blocks of flats were to-night ordered to shut off the heating, with the exceptions of Saturday and Sunday. This means that baths will be possible only during the week-end.

The object, according to officials, is to save coal, of which they said there are plentiful supplies, but delivery is difficult. —(Associated Press.)

BRITISH PRICES FOR NORTHERN LIVE-STOCK

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
BELFAST, Thursday.

The Minister of Agriculture in Northern Ireland is authorised by the Minister of Food to announce that the Great Britain prices for cattle and sheep shall apply in Northern Ireland as from the commencement of control on Monday next.

Dr. Eduard Hempel, the German Minister, saying good-bye to Mr. Henry Balch, former United States Consul-General in Ireland, and Mrs. Balch, before they sailed from Dublin last night. Mr. Balch has been appointed U.S. Consul-General at Genoa.

MR. BALCH LEAVES FOR GENOA

Mr. H. H. Balch, who has been United States Consul-General in Dublin for almost nine years, sailed for Liverpool last night. He was on his way to Genoa to take up his new appointment as Consul-General in that city.

His wife and son and daughter—Henry and Sylvia—were among the many people who were at the dock to see him off. They are remaining in Dublin for some time.

Before going on board Mr. Balch told an *Irish Times* representative that he was deeply sorry to be leaving the country in which he had made so many very good friends. He hoped that, at some future date, he would be able to return to Ireland to spend a holiday.

Among those who were present to wish Mr. Balch "safe journey" were:—

The Belgian Minister and Madame Goor, the German Minister and Frau Hempel, Marchese Malaspina, Secretary to the Italian Legation; the Secretary of the U.S. Legation and Mrs. T. G. McVeagh, Mr. Francis H. Styles, U.S. Consul-General in Charge; Mr. Nils L. Jaenson, Consul-General for Sweden; Mr. I. R. A. W. Weenink, Consul-General for the Netherlands; Mr. S. Kendrick, U.S. Consul; Mr. Edwin J King, U.S. Vice-Consul.

AMERICAN TRIBUTE TO MR. DE VALERA

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Thursday.

The "Washington Star," commenting on the situation in Ireland to-day, says: "It is a credit to the de Valera Government that, with Britain at war, it is, apparently, determined to oppose violent methods that would tend to impair the Crown's position in Ulster."

ROME-BERLIN SPLIT?

ITALY AND CONFISCATED AIRCRAFT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
ZURICH, Thursday.

The Italian attitude towards the confiscation by Germany of aircraft consigned to Finland is regarded by observers in Berlin as the first open indication of a split in the Berlin-Rome axis.

The Berlin Correspondent of the *Basler Nachrichten* states that so far the Italian request for the return of the aircraft has met with no response, and the machines are still in German hands. "The Italian attitude," he continues, "is understood to be that, as Russia does not consider herself at war, Germany has no grounds for proclaiming her neutrality and preventing the transit of war material to Finland. The impression is that Germany will find it to her advantage to conciliate a country from which she receives a fair percentage of her imported raw materials."

[NOTE.—A report from Kaunas to-day stated that the 'planes were to be returned to Italy.]

Late News appears in Page 6.

PEACE RUMOURS

LOOKING TO THE NEUTRAL COUNTRIES

Peace rumours persist, and it is thought that the neutral countries may yet bring it about.

A Press Association War Special telegram from The Hague states that the possibility of collective action by a large number of neutral States to bring about peace was hinted at by the Dutch Foreign Minister in the Senate yesterday. He regretted, he said, that the two peace efforts by Queen Wilhelmina and King Leopold had not succeeded, but he thought that such efforts would not in the future be fruitless.

If the neutrals, collectively or separately, had an opportunity to influence the realisation of a just peace, that opportunity would not be missed.

It was most important to maintain international collaboration.

"The conviction will grow that the peaceful development of a society of States is possible only through international organisation."

It was not out of the question that the Dutch Government, in certain circumstances in which it could usefully intervene, would take part in collective action by neutral States, not restricted to Holland and Belgium, or the Oslo group of Powers.

AUSTRIAN ARCHDUKE'S VIEW

"I believe that the war will definitely come to an end in a few months as a result of revolution in the territory occupied by Germany, and later in Germany itself," declared the Archduke Felix of Austria, in a lecture in Milwaukee, states a Press Association War Special telegram.

"The underground movement is well developed in Germany," he said, "and very strong in Austria and Czecho-Slovakia.

"In Austria there are two opposition parties united in Socialist and revolutionary activities."

MORE SHIPS SUNK BY MINES

TANKER IN CONVOY BLOWN UP IN SIGHT OF LAND

NORTH SEA mines were responsible for the destruction of two large vessels yesterday. One was the 7,000-ton London tanker El Oso, which sank off the West Coast of England. Of her crew three are believed to have been drowned and eight seriously injured. She was in convoy, and had been six weeks at sea.

When an Italian steamer was mined off the East Coast of England, a lifeboat saved thirty of the crew. While standing by the ship the lifeboat saw a trawler attacked by an aeroplane about a mile away. Afterwards the lifeboat took the damaged trawler in tow.

END OF SIX WEEKS' VOYAGE

When the London tanker El Oso (7,267 tons) was blown up, apparently by a German mine, off the west coast of England yesterday, three of her crew of 36 were drowned and eight others seriously injured.

The ship was in convoy after a six weeks' voyage from South America with a cargo of oil. The survivors were rescued by a warship and taken to port, where the injured were conveyed to hospital. Most of the men come from the Merseyside and two from Tyneside.

They had a confused impression of what caused the explosion, but told a reporter that naval men believe they were mined. When the explosion occurred oil flooded the surface of the sea. Four men were flung into the water, but only one was rescued. The other three could not be seen.

CREW IN THEIR BUNKS

A member of the crew said: "Some of us were in our bunks. The fo'c's'le crumpled in around us. We fought our way out. It was a lucky thing that the warships were so close."

El Oso, built in 1921, was one of the Lobitos Oilfields, Ltd., tanker fleet.

The master (Captain Frank Simpson) is believed to be a native of Cardiff.

BOMBED DANISH SHIPS

WERE IN CONVOY, GERMANS SAY

BRUSSELS, Thursday.

German circles declare that the two Danish boats, Feddy (955 tons) and Ivan Kokdrup (2,369 tons), which were bombed by German aeroplanes in the North Sea on Tuesday, were in a British convoy under the protection of British warships, says the Berlin Correspondent of the Belga Agency.

Under these conditions, it is declared that the Danish boats must be considered as "forming a kind of foreign legion for England, and thus exposed to the same dangers as the enemy."

DENMARK PROTESTS TO GERMANY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.
ROME, Thursday.

The Danish Government has instructed its Minister in Berlin to lodge a protest with the German Government against the attack by German 'planes on two Danish ships off the coast of Scotland.

ITALIAN STEAMER MINED

THIRTY MEN SAVED BY LIFEBOAT

A British east coast lifeboat bringing back 30 survivors of a mined Italian steamer yesterday towed for part of the way a trawler which had been bombed by a German warplane.

The lifeboatmen were standing by the sinking ship when the trawler was attacked about a mile away.

In addition to the Italian crew, a British pilot was rescued, making a total of 187 lives saved by this lifeboat since the war began.

The lifeboat was making its third trip in three days and had been 40 hours at sea. It took the trawler, which had been slightly damaged, in tow until able to proceed unaided, the lifeboat returning to her station with the Italian survivors. The noise of the mining of the steamer brought hundreds of people to the cliffs and promenade of an East coast resort. They saw a steamer burst into flames amidships and subsequently sink.

TRAWLER BOMBED

A member of the lifeboat crew stated that when they were standing by the Italian ship they saw the German 'plane fly over to the trawler, which was a mile away.

"There were four explosions," said the lifeboatman. "We saw the water rising and felt the shock underneath us. The Nazi 'plane crew also machine-gunned the trawler, and the skipper was slightly injured.

"All this took place in a few minutes, and afterwards the Nazi 'plane flew low over the lifeboat. We could see the markings on her. She did not bomb or machine-gun us."

There had been much aerial activity off the Norfolk coast all day yesterday, and explosions were heard at different periods throughout the afternoon.

TRAWLER HITS BACK AT RAIDER

Townspeople on the British East coast yesterday heard explosions at sea and saw a 'plane dropping bombs near a vessel on the horizon, apparently an armed trawler, which replied with anti-aircraft gunfire. No hits were observed.

The raiding 'plane later flew away, just skimming the waves.

GERMAN SHIP SCUTTLES HERSELF

A German steamer scuttled herself off the west coast of Africa yesterday to escape a pursuing British warship, Rome Radio stated last night, quoting a report from Capo Town.

ARMED SHIPS FIRED FIRST, GERMANS SAY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.
BERLIN, Thursday.

The German News Agency denies to-day that the Nazi air attacks on ships in the North Sea on Tuesday were made upon "peaceful merchant vessels," or that ship's boats were fired upon.

Investigations on the return of the aeroplane crews, the Agency says, show that these "allegations are a mere fabrication.

"On the contrary," it states, "it must be said that the armed merchant ships were first to open fire on our aircraft. The honour of the German air force will not be polluted by such baseness."

The British Admiralty stated on Tuesday night that the attacks were made on "small unescorted merchant vessels."

The ships attacked included a Trinity House vessel entirely unarmed which was heavily machine-gunned, and fishing-smacks.

CITY OF FLINT SAILS

OSLO, Thursday.

It was announced here to-night that the City of Flint had left for the United States some days ago with a cargo described only as "bulk goods." Her departure had been kept a secret until the announcement from Washington that she was *en route* for New York.

The City of Flint was captured by the Deutschland last October and released by Norway on November 4 when her German prize crew took her into Haugesund Harbour.—(Associated Press.)

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LONDON LETTER

BRITAIN'S BALLOON BARRAGE

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

BRITAIN now is surrounded by a balloon barrage, manned by more officers and men than were in the entire Royal Air Force some years ago. The progress in the development of the barrage since the beginning of the war has been remarkable. Not only do the balloons surround cities and towns, but they protect harbours and anchorages, and are even placed out at sea. The mobility of the barrage was amply demonstrated recently when in a few hours a complete protection was put in position to guard the approaches of the Firth of Forth. The barrage crews have a heavy task, wind and weather variations frequently necessitating the calling out of crews some three or four times a night. The barrage crews have had their fair share of colds and influenza, due mainly to the conditions of their duties, but on the whole, the average level of resistance to such illnesses is satisfactory.

Proposed Channel Tunnel

Vladimir Dormesson, the Diplomatic Correspondent of the Paris *Figaro* to-day asks: "At the next meeting of the Supreme Council why should not the heads of the Allied Governments promise that on the very day peace is signed work should be begun on the Channel tunnel?" This suggestion follows upon Mr. Chamberlain's declaration that co-operation between Britain and France might prove so valuable that when the war was over neither would want to give it up. M. Dormesson points out that a Channel tunnel, in the first place, would show that the Franco-British alliance was to continue in a pacific sphere, and secondly, it would demonstrate the determination of the Allies to provide work after demobilisation for those of their men who needed it. Finally, it would inaugurate a policy of great civilising enterprises which should contribute to assuring peace and well-being for all.

Next Tuesday's Debate

The House of Commons will be crowded on Tuesday next for the debate on the resignation of Mr. Hore-Belisha. Requests for admission to the public galleries are pouring in on members. A keen interest was taken in the ballot for tickets yesterday, as members who had been able to put down their names for the ballot before Parliament rose last month did not do so, but at that time the attraction for the re-opening day was the probability that Mr. Chamberlain would make a statement on the progress of the war. When it became known that there would be a debate on the War Office affair, many members who had not included their names in the original demand for tickets wrote hastily asking that they should be included in the draw.

Requisitioned Ships

Shipowners expect that the Government soon will announce its terms for requisitioned ships, which, it is thought, will be based on time-charter rates. Shipowners at present are having a struggle to obtain reasonable profit margins, as officials are continually reminding them that they were "profiteers" in the last war, and that no such thing can happen again. This accusation of "profiteering," however, appears to be overdone. The risks of business in war-time are very great, and shipowners must be given an opportunity of earning sufficient to maintain their fleets against the rivalry of neutral countries. Neutral tonnage now is more than double what it was in 1914, Japan alone having 5,630,000 tons, as against 1,708,000 tons in 1914.

A Salesmen's Difficulty

British salesmen now going abroad in quest of customers are likely to find themselves caught in a tangle of "red tape." To make things easier for them, the Censorship authorities are about to open a Travellers' Examination Section in London at the end of the month. This, it is hoped, will put an end to the delays caused by inspection of business documents, such as catalogues and blue prints, and by the questioning of Scotland Yard officers, war security police, Customs and Home Office officials. An official of the Sales Managers' Association to-day said that many of his members were interested in foreign markets, and would travel much more if the restrictions were made easier. It is suggested in other quarters that what is needed to-day is one control, which will appreciate the necessity of getting orders from abroad. Such a control does not exist at present.

L.M.S. Meeting

Great interest attaches to any proceedings of the railway companies at the present time, and the understanding that the London, Midland and Scottish directors have decided to hold their meeting on February 22 will be welcomed in the City of London, as dividends for the past year are to be discussed. The date is later than usual, this being due to the absence of any official decision as to the terms of Government compensation. It does not follow, however, that there will be news by the date mentioned. If circumstances should necessitate such a course, the date of the meeting may be postponed, and this is not unlikely should the discussions of compensation be protracted.

Sion College Treasures

On the Victoria Embankment stands Sion College, a reconstruction of one of London's most ancient colleges, rich in literary treasures, where a recent survey has revealed a number of rare old books worth thousands of pounds. The college already possessed six Caxtons, a second folio Shakespeare and a superb collection of the earlier Bibles. Stored away in the cellars were many old books, and examination has shown that among these are a 1562 version of the New Testament, early editions of Cicero, Petrarch and other classics, with rarities of Goldsmith, Swift, Gay, as well as many manuscripts. The librarian, Mr. C. Edgar Thomas, says that the discovery has been a splendid windfall for the college, as many old medical books rescued from the lumber, and of no practical use to the library, realised more than £2,000 when sold, the proceeds being applied to essential restoration work in the college and library.

Torch Batteries

British manufacturers to-day have fixed retail prices for torch batteries of the size most in demand, and generally known as the No. 8, being priced at 3½d., while the standard pocket lamp batteries are at 6d., and those for cycle lamps 9d. These prices, however, do not apply to batteries of foreign origin now being sold in London at prices much above those fixed by British manufacturers. There is still great difficulty in obtaining batteries, the few that are obtainable being mainly of foreign make. Progress in the London streets at night without a torch is a hazardous undertaking, and any action the Government can take to expedite the delivery of batteries for civilian use will meet with an appreciative welcome.

SIR ANDREW DUNCAN

Sir Andrew Rae Duncan, President of the British Board of Trade, has resigned from the Court of Directors of the Bank of England.

DUBLIN OPERATIC SOCIETY

SUCCESSFUL YEAR: FINANCES SOUND

The position which the Dublin Operatic Society has come to occupy in the musical and cultural life of the city was reflected in the balance sheet submitted to the annual meeting of the society, held in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, last night.

The balance sheet and statement of accounts submitted by the hon. treasurer (Miss Carmel O'Callaghan) showed that receipts for the year ended 31st December, 1939, at £2,350, exceeded expenditure, £2,248, by the sum of £102.

The balance sheet, said Miss O'Callaghan, was conspicuous by the absence of loans and creditors. The society was solvent, and was in a good sound financial position.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Mr. G. W. Sleater, Director, announced that the governors had decided to present a one week's season at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, commencing on 1st April next. Four operas will be produced. Three of these, which had been definitely decided upon, were: "Elisir d'Amore" (Donizetti), "La Bohème" (Puccini), and "Rigoletto" (Verdi).

There was a strong possibility, he said, that the fourth opera would be Mozart's "Magic Flute"—it was being considered by the governors. If they could put on this opera, he said, it would mark yet another upward step in the history of the society.

In her annual report the Hon. Secretary (Miss Ann Clarke) said that during the past year the Society had had two seasons of opera—the first in April, when four operas were performed, including Donizetti's "La Favorita"; and the second in November, when in a two weeks' festival at the Gaiety Theatre, they presented five operas, including "Lohengrin." The successful production of "La Favorita" and "Lohengrin" further enhanced the Society's reputation, and definitely established its brilliant contralto, Miss Patricia Black, as an artist of outstanding ability. She could not, said the hon. secretary, stress too strongly the Society's debt of gratitude to the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, to Dr. T. J. Kiernan, Director of Broadcasting; Dr. Vincent O'Brien, Musical Director of the Radio Eireann, for their courtesy in facilitating the Society regarding the engagement of members of 2.RN Orchestra.

The increase in performing members was a source of much pleasure to the Governing Body. She emphasised strongly the absolute necessity of increasing still further their membership in this direction, especially if the production of big choral operas were to be continued. The Society appealed to all teachers of singing to co-operate in this direction.

The report was adopted, and complimentary references made to Miss Clarke's work as hon. secretary.

The President, Mr. A. E. Smyth, F.S.T., said that the fortnight's opera season which they had given recently had been a really brilliant success, and he had been told by Mr. Arthur Hammond that several of the performances during that fortnight had been much better than similar operas presented at Covent Garden.

The President said that Mr. George W. Sleater had intimated his desire to retire definitely next month from the position of director of the society. He appealed to him very strongly to reconsider his decision to retire, and to allow himself to be re-elected.

Other members having appealed to Mr. Sleater, he withdrew his resignation, and was re-elected director.

Mr. A. E. Smyth, outgoing president, was re-elected president. The following vice-presidents were elected:—Mrs. Clare Kennedy, Miss Cecilia MacMenamin, Mr. L. G. Amor, Mr. P. A. Duggan, Dr. Vincent O'Brien, Mr. M. Devlin, Mr. Vincent Kelly, Mr. W. McMullen, Mr. J. D. Rush, Dr. Walter Starkie, Mr. David Telford, and Mr. M. J. Campbell.

Miss Ann Clarke, 35 Percy place, Ballsbridge, was re-elected hon. secretary, and Miss Carmel O'Callaghan was re-elected hon. treasurer.

The governors, Miss May Fitzmaurice, Captain W. J. Kelly, and Mr. W. F. Palmer, were re-elected.

CAUSES OF TWO BIG WARS

TRACED BACK TO FRENCH REVOLUTION

The preservation of democratic institutions was inevitably bound up with the result of the war, said Mr. Erskine Childers, T.D., in an address to the Dublin Presbyterian Association last night on "Comparative Causes of the Great War of 1914 and the Present War." He considered, however, that the democracies had been tardy in recognising the sacrifices required of all those who claimed to stand for self-determination, and said that notable inconsistencies were apparent.

Mr. Childers traced the growth of modern Europe, and said there was a struggle for financial dominance by two rival groups of Powers. He attributed much of the present international anarchy to those who turned the French Revolution into an imperialist adventure, and caused the terrific reaction to reform so prevalent from 1800 to 1850. The resulting blind struggle for markets between those who were first in the race and those who followed after created national antagonisms.

He said there was an almost uncanny parallelism in the behaviour and psychology of all the Powers involved in the Great War, in spite of the great differences in their internal organisation. He compared the pacifist English Liberal Government of Mr. Asquith with what he described as the "never to be forgotten vacillating regime" of Mr. Baldwin; the marginal notes of the Kaiser in the German State documents with Herr Hitler's speeches; the action of Italy with Count Ciano's recent speeches, and the uses made of the international situation by Presidents Wilson and Roosevelt in furthering their political stability.

Whatever the future of Europe held for the world, said Mr. Childers, never again would the years elapse during which an obviously defective peace instrument was allowed to remain unrevised while, at the same time, the nation most affected by its existence was allowed to break its most fundamental clauses through armed might and mass propaganda. He made a plea for world government on a federal basis and for the growth of international institutions, whose foundations would be based on universal principles, and not associated with a particular contest.

"There is no glamour associated with the present war," said Mr. Childers.

Mr. E. K. Eason presided.

12,000 WARPLANES FROM U.S.

ALLIES' PLANS FOR NEXT TWO YEARS

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Britain and France are arranging to buy nearly 12,000 warplanes in the United States in the next two years, authoritative sources here said to-night. With present and future shipments, these sources said, the Allies expect to exceed German production by the middle of 1940.

Representatives of the British Air Ministry are surveying United States plant facilities, and may shortly co-ordinate purchases with the French.

Up to January 1st the Allies had ordered 4,000 warplanes from the United States. The American Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce estimates that the United States monthly aircraft production on January 1 was worth £5,000,000, and would be £12,500,000 by July 1.—(The Associated Press.)

A woman said at Highgate Court: "My husband won't allow discussion on any subject. He says his say, and then he gives a grunt and says: 'I have spoken.' After that a firing squad could not change his opinion."

EFFECTS OF WAR ON DUBLIN PORT

HOW TRADE MAY BE CONTRACTED

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS ON OIL REFINERY

CAPTAIN ALAN S. GORDON was yesterday unanimously re-elected Chairman of the Dublin Port and Docks Board for the year 1940.

Mr. Percy McGrath also was unanimously re-elected Vice-Chairman.

Captain Gordon, having been invested with the Board's collar and badge of office by Mr. M. O'Sullivan, acting chairman, returned thanks and addressed the members on the past year's working in the port of Dublin.

Captain Gordon said that it might not, perhaps, be realised how directly the port of this country was affected by the European conflict. While the country had, and was, rapidly becoming industrialised, and was being equipped to supply, internally, very many of our needs, the requirements of those very industries—either the raw material or coal or other commodities—must be obtained outside the country, and must, therefore, be sea-borne.

The flow of these commodities had been seriously hampered and disturbed by the European conflict. Dublin had been fortunate in having a number of regular services with Great Britain, and similarly regular established services with countries overseas. The European conflict had had the effect of seriously disorganising and, in a number of instances, causing the discontinuance of those established regular services, and there must of necessity from this be an effect of diminution of the steady, regular flow of income into the Port Board's coffers, which arose from such regular services.

FEWER VESSELS

The country, however, must still obtain its needs if it was to continue its commercial activity, and these needs would be, and, indeed, were being, imported under changed conditions. The tendency was to bring in greater quantities at one time, with the result that there might be fewer steamers actually using the port, and, while they might be of larger tonnage, the resultant revenue to the port might be reduced. The effects of that position had been felt only as from some time in September last, and it was possible the effect might be greater during the coming year.

Proceeding, Captain Gordon said that he was not in the least apprehensive that the port of Dublin would not be able to carry on thoroughly satisfactorily and on a sound basis.

The total nett registered tonnage which entered the port, and made use of the quays, sheds and equipment during 1939 was 2,774,444 tons. This compared with 2,881,768 in the previous year—showing a decrease of 107,324 tons.

That, said Captain Gordon, would, perhaps, appear to be a heavy decrease, but, taken against the big volume of tonnage, it worked out at only 3¾ per cent. It had to be remembered that the previous year surpassed any other record by 156,000 tons, so that the volume of tonnage flowing through the port last year had been well maintained and was very satisfactory.

It was a matter of considerable regret that the trans-Atlantic passenger service ceased altogether during the year. That was a matter over which the Board could exercise no control.

Referring to the equipment and maintenance of the port, he said that during the year two million tons of silt had been removed from the navigable channels. All equipment had been kept well up to standard, and an additional crane had been provided.

NEW WORKS

Perhaps, the most important work undertaken by the Engineering Department had been the completion, at the end of the North Wall Extension, of the additional shed accommodation. This shed had given an added covered area of 23,510 square feet, in which goods awaiting transit could be accommodated. To prevent erosion at the east end of Alexandra Wharf, they had begun the re-making of a new deep-water quay.

It had been decided to promote a private bill to transfer unexpended borrowing powers to works which would be suitable and which would fit in with the scheme of development of the port in the future, and which would put the Board in a position immediately to exercise their power of borrowing. That bill was in form, and was ready to go before the appropriate committee of the Oireachtas. Among the objects for which the Board wished to have power of borrowing were the reconstruction of the old Custom House quay and the provision of more storage accommodation in the Custom House Docks.

REFINERY PROJECT

Referring to the oil refinery project, Captain Gordon said that during the early part of the year matters eventuated, over which they had no control, which caused the withdrawal of the interested parties from proceeding any further with the development. Their position, however, was that they had the land ready and one jetty virtually completed. Some months ago he had mentioned that he was in great hope that there would be a revival of this oil refinery project. It was a matter of great regret to him that he had not been able to inform them that this was definite. He had, however, been keeping in very close touch with the position, and, from enquiries he had made within the past week, he felt reasonably confident that what he had told them a couple of months ago would come to pass—that they would see the erection of an oil refinery restarted in the fairly close future, and that, once it re-started, it would be proceeded with, this time, to completion.

As regards the Dublin Dockyard, he said that the position there was most unfortunate, as undoubtedly at the present moment, if the yard were working, it was probable it could obtain quite a volume of business. It was a matter of very deep regret that one of the endeavours to restart it, which he believed was almost completed, fell through at the last moment. He could not hold out any hopes of a restart of this yard at present. Meantime, the machinery and equipment had been kept up and looked after.

Captain Gordon said that the surplus of receipts over expenditure on the year's working would be approximately £14,000—the same as in 1938. He considered the revenue position entirely satisfactory, but, nevertheless, the Board considered it necessary to make certain increases on ship and cargo dues to ensure for the future.

During the year they had the privilege of welcoming to the Board the first lady member—the Lord Mayor, who was also the Admiral of the Port.

TRAFFIC RETURN

Mr. R. F. Lowe, Secretary, submitted the Collector of Port Dues statement for 1939 of registered tonnage of vessels which entered the port up to the end of the year. The total tonnage of vessels arriving from all parts was 2,773,316 tons, a decrease of 109,452 tons; 700,109 tons arrived from foreign ports, a decrease of 97,546 tons, and 2,073,207 tons from cross-Channel and coastwise ports, a decrease of 11,906.

The tonnage of vessels anchoring in the bay was only 25,050 tons, showing a decrease of 588,703 tons.

The tonnage dues collected for the year amounted, in all, to £88,425 17s. 9d., showing a decrease of £4,250 6s. 2d. The foreign trade produced £26,294 16s. 5d., or a decrease of £3,756 0s. 5d.; the cross-Channel and coastwise trade £62,104 19s. 5d., which was an increase of £121 0s. 10d. Liners in the bay paid tonnage dues to the amount of £26 1s. 11d., a decrease of £515 6s. 7d.

During 1939 dues on goods on inwards traffic were collected to the total sum of £82,789 12s. 9d., which was an increase of £2,564 18s. 3d. The dues on goods were collected as follows:—Foreign trade, £30,648 8s. 4d., a decrease of £3,352 10s. 7d.; on cross-Channel trade, £32,045 5s. 3d., an increase of £2,580 11s. 1d.; on Irish trade, £978 15s. 7d., an increase of £6 19s. 7d., and on coal, £19,117 3s. 7d., an increase of £3,329 18s. 2d.

Dues on goods collected on outwards traffic totalled £22,776 16s. 5d., or an increase of £137 7s. 5d., as follows:—Foreign trade, £1,058 4s. 6d., a decrease of £376 16s. 5d.; cross-Channel trade, £20,601 7s. 4d., an increase of £572 17s. 2d., and on Irish trade, £1,107 6s. 7d., a decrease of £58 13s. 4d.

The total inward and outward receipts amounted to £105,566 11s. 2d., which showed on the year's working, an increase of £2,702 5s. 8d.

A letter was read from the Lord Mayor (Mrs. Clarke) stating that she regretted

FINNS STILL HOLD RUSSIANS

Attack on Salla Sector Repelled

18,000 TROOPS REPORTED TRAPPED

Big Reinforcements Rushed To Vital Point

THE Russian invaders continue to experience unexpected difficulties in their war against Finland. Meanwhile, Scandinavian rumours of Nazi intervention persist, and, as indicated in yesterday's "Irish Times," the Axis Powers appear to be disagreeing in vital respects.

A Russian attack on the Salla sector (where the Soviet forces were reported to be preparing a big drive) was repulsed, last night's Finnish communiqué stated.

The Russian communiqué merely refers to patrol and reconnaissance activity on various fronts.

Strong Finnish patrols attacked Russian lines in the far North during the night, and fighting went on all day.

Between these two fronts another Russian force (numbering about 18,000) is trapped, following Finnish success in cutting the main road from Salla and Kemijaervi to Salmijaervi. Huge reinforcements are being rushed up—some say as many as forty thousand—but the Finns are advancing on both flanks and down the centre, and the Russians have no means of retreat.

"All quiet" is the report from the Southern front, indicating that large Russian forces there are holding the flanks, while repairing damaged roads and waiting fod reinforcements.

POSSIBLE GERMAN INTERVENTION

"While Scandinavian countries are discussing reports of possible Nazi mediation, on the ground that the Russo-Finnish war endangers Germany's prospects of getting important supplies from Russia, it is reported that observers in Berlin look on the detention by the Nazis of Italian 'planes for Finlahd as the 'first split in the Rome-Berlin Axis.'"

Italy has demanded the return of the machines without result, although the Italian attitude is that, since Russia states she is not at war with Finland, Germany has no grounds for proclaiming her neutrality.

A THEORY

This theme that Russia is not at war with Finland, but wishes to aid the Finnish workers, is taken in Helsinki as the basis of a theory that. If the Finns inflict many more defeats on the "Reds," Stalin may decide that the workers do not need any more "assistance," and call off the war with as little loss of prestige as possible.

The 1921 and 1922 classes of conscripts were called on to register in Russia yesterday.

Strong Finnish patrols are reported to have attacked the Russian lines near Jordanfoss last night. Fighting was apparently resumed in this sector about noon on Wednesday, when machine gun and artillery fire were heard, states a P.A. Foreign Special Kirkenes telegram.

Firing lasted most of the day, but it is believed that there was little change in the relative positions of the troops engaged.

The weather is now mild and snowy, and increased activity is, therefore, to be expected in this area shortly.

FINNS' HOPE OF VICTORY IN SOUTH

Behind the laconic statement in yesterday's *communique*, that "in Lapland the enemy launched attacks," lies a story which will be told more fully later on. There is reason to believe that yet another Russian force is in a tight corner in Northern Finland. Finnish ski patrols, it was learned in Helsinki yesterday, have cut the main road from Salla and Kemijaervi to Salmijaervi at several places, thus marooning the Russian force of about 18,000 men, which is believed to be some twenty miles or more in front of the point which has been cut.

These Russians would appear to be in an unenviable position, with the Finns advancing upon them from both flanks and down the centre, and with no means of retreat. Against this there is a report that the Russians, learning the state of their troops, have rushed fresh men up from the railhead at Kandalaksk, in Russia. Some reports give the number at between 35,000 and 40,000.

The Finns must obviously hope that the work their patrols have done in cutting the road behind Salla, near the frontier, will sufficiently impede the advancing reinforcements to enable Finnish soldiers to rout the advanced Russians and take a wealth of booty and men.

The booty, at any rate, seems assured; for the nature of the country makes it impossible for the retreating Russians to move their mechanised forces, except along properly-built roads.

FIGHTING DESPERATELY

That the Russians are now fighting desperately to avoid being cut off in this sector is hinted in yesterday's *communique*, if not definitely stated.

Referring to the Aglajaervi sector, in the South, the *communiqué* states: "Nothing new." This would seem to indicate that the large Russian forces lying in this region to the South-West, between Aglajaervi and Kitela, on the northern shore of Lake Ladoga, is busy holding the flanks, while attempts are being made to mend the roads damaged by the ski patrols behind them, and to play for time to enable fresh reinforcements to be brought up from Petrosavodsk.

SOUTHERN SECTOR

That the Russians are also fighting desperately to escape in this sector may be gathered from the reports in Wednesday's *compunique* of an enemy attack at Ruhtinasmaki, which is north-east of Kitela.

The Press Association learns that of the two fronts the Finns have greater expectation of success in the southern sector, although the Russian forces there are larger. Numerically, therefore, in men and arms this would be a more satisfactory success than the one in the North, although the Salla front is naturally of greater strategic importance.

THE DUCE

There is considerable speculation in Helsinki as to the Russian attitude should the Finns win notable successes, in addition to those gained at Suomussalmi. Could they, it is being asked, make an endeavour to come to terms with Finland, especially in view of reports that Signor Mussolini is interesting himself in the Finnish question?

Opinion here tends to the view that Stalin might well be willing to do so if it were possible without the loss of too much prestige.

It is pointed out that the Russians still adhere to the statement that they are not at war with Finland, but are only trying to "help Finnish workers."

It might not greatly damage the Russian prestige if they were able to discover that the Finnish workers needed no further "help."

Finnish statesmen even now emphasise that they have no claims on Russia, and would be glad to conclude a peace that would not mean the loss of their independence.

One gathers that the Finns are still a little disappointed with the help which is being given them from the outside world, and, notably, from Sweden. It is true that much has been promised, and a considerable amount given, but the present force of Swedes in Finland is not very large.

In a week a force three times as large as that already here is expected to cross the Swedish border, and it is eagerly awaited.

RUSSIA TO CALL UP MORE MEN

Notices were posted in the streets of Moscow yesterday, states Reuter, calling upon men of the 1921 and 1922 Classes, liable to military service under the Army Law of 1939, to register at recruiting centres. The registration is preliminary to recruitment, which takes place later in the year. The 1919 and half of the 1918 Class were recruited in the autumn of last year.

EXIT OF SOVIET SHIPS

A report from Petsamo states that the Russians have removed from the harbour at Liinahamari all their ships, including transport vessels, with the exception of one cruiser. The Russian troops on the mainland are thus left without any means of returning by sea, the cruiser being left simply as a guard ship.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Helsingin Sanomat*, writing on the question of help to Finland, says that it is not thought that Germany would try to prevent Britain from sending help to Finland, via Scandinavia.

GERMAN SHIP HITS ICEBERG

TRYING TO BREAK THROUGH BLOCKADE

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

REYKJAVIK, Thursday.

The Bahia Blanca (8,558 tons), the German steamer which left Rio de Janeiro full of coffee and minerals for Germany, has collided with an iceberg off the north-west coast of Iceland, sixty miles from Latrabjarg, while trying to evade the British blockade.

The Icelandic trawler, Hafstein, rescued 62 men of the crew to-day, and, although reports do not say so, it is presumed that the Bahia Blanca sank after the collision.

After she had sailed from Rio de Janeiro there was a report that she had been captured by a British cruiser, but this was not confirmed.

The Hafstein went to the Bahia Blanca in rough weather in answer to an S.O.S. and succeeded in rescuing all the men aboard.

The trawler is expected at Havnefjord to-night.

HINDENBURG DAM DAMAGED

A VIEW FROM DENMARK

"TIMES" FOREIGN SPECIAL.

COPENHAGEN, Thursday.

That the Hindenburg dam was damaged in the air activity yesterday was proved to-day. People at the Danish-German frontier, from which the dam can easily be seen, saw a train starting from the mainland at 10 a.m. When it had passed along two-thirds of the dam the train stopped, and remained there until 3.30 p.m., when it returned to the mainland.

At 4.30 p.m. a new train arrived. When it came to the same point on the dam it continued very slowly to the island of Syft. In the meantime repair work had been done to the dam.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

A fire which started in a crib representing the Nativity, caused considerable damage to the interior of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Falmouth, yesterday. A Royal Air Force man praying in the church discovered a quantity of straw in the manger alight. After extinguishing the outbreak, auxiliary firemen cleared away the *debris* and washed and scrubbed the aisles.

"AN UNMERITED HUMILIATION"

LABOUR ATTACK ON BRITISH PREMIER

DISMISSAL OF MR. HORE-BELISHA "A SCANDAL"

ALLEGATIONS that new Ministers owe their appointment to "mysterious and stealthy manœuvres behind the scenes" are made by Mr. John Marchbank, General Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen in the "Railway Review."

Attacking Mr. Chamberlain for the dismissal of Mr. Hore-Belisha, he says: "The dismissal of the War Secretary was a shock to public confidence. I hold no brief for Mr. Hore-Belisha. But his record at the War Office entitled him to more generous treatment than he received at Mr. Chamberlain's hands. To give a man in his position the choice between demotion or dismissal almost at an hour's notice was a quite unmerited humiliation.

"From the point of view of public policy, Mr. Chamberlain's action reflects the gravest discredit upon his judgment as Prime Minister. The discredit is all the greater if it is true, as is alleged, that Mr. Hore-Belisha was dismissed as a consequence of intrigue among the brass hats.

"JEALOUSY AND SPITE"

"Mr. Chamberlain bears a hideous responsibility for allowing it to be even suspected that jealousy, spite and ill-will among the generals accounted for Mr. Hore-Belisha's dismissal. But Mr. Chamberlain's decision to remove Mr. Hore-Belisha is worsened by his choice of a successor.

"It would have lessened the scandal somewhat if the new War Secretary were a Minister of outstanding capacity, instead of an amiable, nice-mannered, but otherwise quite undistinguished person.

"Mr. Stanley's only claim to political preferment is that he is the son of Lord Derby and the son-in-law of Lord Londonderry. His transfer to the War Office is on a par with Mr. Chamberlain's resurrection of Sir John Gilmour to fill the post of Minister of Shipping.

"Mr. Chamberlain reveals his own limitations as Prime Minister by the mediocrities he has gathered around him. It is profoundly disquieting to reflect upon the quality of leadership in the present War Cabinet. It is even more disquieting to feel that considerations of class privilege, social snobbery and caste distinctions have determined the composition of our national leadership in this war."

"LITTLE VALUE ON HUMAN LIFE"

JUDGE'S REMARKS ON FIREARMS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ENNIS, Thursday.

John Hassett, a large farmer, residing at Dooneen, Quin, was acquitted at Clare Circuit Court on a charge of shooting at James O'Brien, an itinerant horse-dealer, with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

O'Brien said that after hearing two shots he looked out of the caravan where he was and saw Hassett, and said: "Hassett, stop the firing, what have I done?" Then the third shot went off and his daughter jumped out of the caravan and addressed Hassett. Before this incident Hassett had jostled him at Spancilhill Fair and wanted to "put fight on him."

Mrs. Margaret Slattery, daughter of O'Brien, said that after the second shot she jumped out of the caravan and said: "Hassett, I know you. Shoot me now, as you have shot my father."

The defendant, in evidence, said that he had fired no shots in or near the caravan, and had nothing to do with the occurrence. He heard shots that night, but knew nothing more. He admitted using an offensive expression to Mrs. Slattery earlier in the day, when he lost his temper over vans and horses that had cluttered up the road. He had no gun or firearms certificate, but some time ago had got a loan of one to shoot crows.

In his charge to the jury, Judge McElligott said that they heard a lot nowadays about guns and ammunition. They all realised the danger of a person who had no licence having a gun. The getting and disposal of a gun in the locality in which the accused man resided was apparently a very simple and easy matter. Guns could readily be borrowed or stolen, and human life in some places was very cheap. In fact, some people cared sweet nothing about human life. The man who fired the shots at this caravan cared absolutely nothing for human life, and it was quite evident that he wanted to do real grievous bodily harm to O'Brien or his friends in the caravan.

The jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" and Hassett was discharged.

NEW GERMAN BATTLESHIP

WHY ADMIRAL RAEDER WENT TO KIEL

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

STOCKHOLM, Thursday.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Dagens Nyheter* suggests that Germany has launched her third battleship.

The correspondent says:—"The real reason for the visit to Kiel and Wilhelmshafen on Tuesday of Admiral Raeder, the Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy, is believed to be due to the launching of a new battleship. The ship, while nominally of 35,000, is, in reality, of 41,000 tons, and is a sister ship to the Bismarck and Tirpitz, which were launched last summer.

"A long time must elapse before these ships are fitted out and ready to go to sea."

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT DEAD

PEER'S SON WHO WAS A MIDSHIPMAN

The Hon. John Llewellyn Lloyd Mostyn, second son of Lord Mostyn and a midshipman in the British Navy, was, it was revealed yesterday, accidentally shot dead on Wednesday in a mahap with a pistol. He was in his eighteenth year.

He and four other young naval men were examining the pistol in a hotel room in Glasgow. The weapon was discharged and a bullet struck Mostyn, killing him instantly.

Police established that the affair was entirely an accident.

Lord Mostyn's eldest of three sons is a lieutenant in the 9th Lancers. His youngest son was born in 1933.

Lord and Lady Mostyn later arrived in Glasgow and identified the body of their son.

Afterwards they were present at an inquiry by Admiralty officials.

Lord and Lady Mostyn were very distressed.

MAGUIRE AND PATERSON, LIMITED

As the result of a conference yesterday between Miss Bennett, representing the Irish Women Workers' Union; Mr. O'Reilly, representing the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, and Sir Alexander Maguire, representing the company, it was agreed to grant an increase of wages to all employés of the company, such increase to become operative as from Thursday, January 11th.

The increase in wages to be as set out below:—

Men	4s. per week.
Youths under 18	2s. " "
Women	2s. " "
Girls under 18	1s. " "

All employés with long service record of fifteen years and over to receive a total bonus of 3s. per week.

LATE NEWS

ACHILLES IN ACTION REPORT

Telegraphing Thursday, the New York Correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says:—Reports persisted here to-day that the British cruiser Achilles, one of the three ships which engaged the Graf Spee, fought another German raider last night near the Brazilian port of Santos. The Achilles is said to have been on her way to Rio de Janeiro, and the reports lend colour to the South American belief that a major battle is impending.

The fact that the British liner Highland Patriot (1,400 tons), which was due in Montevideo early this morning, had not arrived also indicated extraordinary naval activity in South American waters.

£50,000,000 WAR LOAN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

OTTAWA, Thursday.

Canada's first war loan, a 200,000,000-dollar (about £50,000,000) issue, will be offered to the public next Monday.

DANISH VOLUNTEERS ARRIVE IN FINLAND

COPENHAGEN, Friday.

To-day's *National Tidende* reported that the first company of Danish volunteers had already arrived in Finland, but that their location was being kept secret.—(Associated Press.)

BRITISH BOMBS ON DENMARK

COPENHAGEN, Friday.

It was announced to-day that after investigation by Danish authorities the three bombs which fell on the Danish Island of Roemo on Tuesday night proved to be of British manufacture.

The bombs were said at the time to have inflicted no damage.

The unidentified 'plane which dropped them came from the south-west—that is, from the direction of the German Island of Sylt—and disappeared towards the west.—(Associated Press.)

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Sugar Cargo at Cork.—A cargo of 3,500 tons of sugar for use in Eire is being discharged at Cork.

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Acres Under Trees.—A scheme of re-afforestation comprising over 200 acres is being carried out at Dangan and Cloughscregg, Thomastown.

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Increased Estimate.—Limerick Mental Hospital Committee adopted an estimate of £41,600 for the coming financial year, being an increase of £6,000.

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Oil and Petrol Workers' Wages.—A demand for 20 per cent. all-round increase in the wages of workers in the oil and petrol industries has been served on all the big oil and petrol companies in Dublin.

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Lorry of Meal Seized.—A lorry laden with meal feeding stuff for cattle was seized by the police in Monaghan street, Newry, as having been smuggled across the Armagh-Louth border.

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No Ration Coupons.—In Newry butter and egg market yesterday, where country people offered butter for sale at the rationed price of 1s. 7d. per lb., several townspeople had their names taken by the police for purchasing the butter without giving coupons from their rationing cards.

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Sentenced for Larceny.—Thomas Power, described as a tinker's assistant, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment at Naas, on a charge of stealing a pony, the property of Laurence McCann, Turnings, Straffan, valued for £12.

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A Newry Bishop.—The Right Rev. Robert Jefferson, D.D., who has been appointed Bishop of Ottawa, is a native of Newry, where he was born on 11th July, 1881. Educated at Belfast and Dublin, Dr. Jefferson graduated from the Royal University of Ireland.

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Survived Naval Action.—Mrs. T. Caldwell, 40 Cowan street, Newry, has received a telegram stating that her son, Robert, a leading seaman and gunner, who was a member of H.M.S. Exeter during the Graf Spee action off the South American coast, is safe. The wire reads:—"Fit and well. Bob."

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Strike at Clothing Factory.—A strike of workers in the tailoring section of Messrs. Polikoff's Clothing Factory took place yesterday morning. Following representations by officials of the Union, work was resumed at 2 p.m. pending the opening of negotiations between the trades unions and the employer on the matters in dispute.

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Potato Supplies Inadequate.—Carndonagh alcohol factory, after January 13, will turn to the production from molasses if supplies of potatoes are not adequate. Forty employés may lose employment. Farmers say that the factory price—£2 a ton—would not justify potato growing.

FUNERALS

MISS CHIPPERFIELD

There was a large attendance at the funeral, which took place yesterday to Mount Jerome Cemetery from Oak House, St. Stephen's Green, of Miss C. E. S. Chipperfield, who for fifteen years was Superintendent of the Girls' Friendly Society.

The Service was conducted by the Ven. E. G. Sullivan, M.A., Archdeacon of Dublin.

The chief mourners were:—Mr. F. Chipperfield (brother); Miss Mary Chipperfield (sister); and Mr. Cyril and Mr. B. Chipperfield (nephews).

Representing the Girls' Friendly Society of Ireland were—Mrs. Wentworth Taylor (President of the Dublin Diocese); Mrs. Coffey (Vice-President in Ireland); Miss Reunion represented the House Committee of Oak House. Also present were—Miss Myrtle Troughton, Miss Violet Crawford, Miss Poppy Hill, Miss N. McCullagh, and Mrs. J. Bere.

The general attendance included:—Mrs. Steadman, Miss Bath, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Alcock, Miss P. Warris, Miss Derrey, Miss Irwin, Miss Hazel Irwin, Mr G. Clarke, Mr. M. Mitchell, Miss P. Wilkinson, Mr. Davis.

Miss Rose Todd (President of the G.F.S. in Ireland) and Miss Amy Clarke (Matron, Oak House) were unable to be present owing to indisposition.

MR. JAMES M. KEARNEY

The funeral of Mr. James M. Kearney, Church View, Castleknock, took place to Mount Jerome Cemetery yesterday morning, after Requiem Mass celebrated by the Rev. Joseph Callan, C.C., at St. Paul's Church, Arran quay.

The Very Rev. M. Cogan, P.P., Blanchardstown, officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. P. Kearney (widow); Mr. Phillip Walsh (step-son); Mr. Cornelius Kearney (brother); Mr. M. Walsh (brother-in-law).

Headquarters of Garda Siochana, Kilmainham, was represented by Messrs. Arthur Nolan, T. Willis, E. Byrne, and C. O'Brien. The Department of Justice was represented by Messrs. W. Dillane, J. Walsh, A. May, H. Jeffrey, J. Clarke, and J. Abraham.

Also in attendance were Mr. and Miss Byrne, Mr. J. Mullen, Miss Reid, and Mr. J. McKenna.

GERMAN BOMBER DOWN IN DENMARK

CREW SET FIRE TO MACHINE

A Press Association War Special from Copenhagen last night stated:—A Nazi bomber made a forced landing in a field near Skaerbaek, South Jutland, to-night.

The four occupants set fire to the machine.

DANCES

MEATH HUNT

Upwards of 500 persons attended the annual Meath Hunt dance, held in the pavilion of the Show Grounds, Navan, which proved a very enjoyable and successful function. The hall was specially lighted with electric decorations.

The attendance included Mrs. Nancy Connell, Joint M.F.H.; Mrs. and the Misses B. and E. Watkins, Mrs. Hill Dillon, the Hon. Mrs. Corbally Stourton, Colonel and Miss Jean Curell, the Duc de Stacpoole and Miss Iris de Stacpoole, Miss Colquhan, Mr. E. Knapp, Mr. Charles Hall Dare, Captain and Mrs. Collins, Major Parr, Captain Cullen, Mr. R. Casey and the Misses E. and K. Casey, Mr. Kelly, Mr. P. Noonan and Miss Noonan, Mr. and Mrs. Preston, Miss Matthews, Mr. J. Fletcher, Miss Madaline Perry, Miss Briscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Nicholson, Miss Chaloner, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Irene Gough, Mr. Hoey, Mr. J. Crinion, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Murphy, Mr. T. Gogan, Mr. L. Geraghty, Mr. Vincent Eivers, Dr. E. F. Drumm, Assistant County M.O.H.; Mr. B. Loughran, Mr. and Mrs. Cormac Murray, Mr. and Miss J. Macken, Mr. J. MacArthur, Mr. Kiernan, Mr. T. and Miss J. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Duffy, the Misses Brien, Dublin; Mr. K. Murray, Mr. P. and the Misses C. and E. Cooke, Mrs. W. Finnegan, Mr. David Digney, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis, Miss K. Finnegan.

Mr. John O'Brien, Miss A. Brady, Mr. C. Oaks, Miss Murray, Mr. J. E. Duffy, Miss N. Kearns, Miss L. Fortune, Mrs. Adamson, Dr. J. Drumm, Mr. and Mrs. T. Gaughran, Mr. J. Hogg, Mr. E. J. Breslin, Mr. W. Shaw and Miss Shaw, Mrs. Eustace, Mrs. Waldron, Mr. Ratcliffe, Miss Thom, Mr. P. J. MacDermott, Miss Lentaigne, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lewry, Mrs. Drummond, Mr. J. Brien, B.E.; Miss P. O'Brien, Miss Dunne, Miss Nancy McCullagh, Mr. Jack Finnegan, Miss Joan Manly, Mr. B. Sullivan, Messrs. H. and G. Yeates, Mr. N. Lacy, Mr. James Tevlin, Mr. H. J. Brophy, Miss A. McDonagh, Miss M. McNally, Mr. J. Crosbie, Mr. T. Smith, Miss Johnson, Miss M. Boylan, Mr. P. Byrne and Mr. C. Darken.

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It was stated that an all-round increase of 5s. a week to these workers would add £17,000 to the estimates.

The Council decided to grant an increase of 2s. 6d. per week, and on the suggestion of the Secretary this was increased to 2s 7d. a week to suit accounting purposes.

The County Surveyor asked for a total expenditure of £307,058, which included £100,440 for main roads, as against the £74,629 allowed last year.

The Council decided to allow £78,000 for this head.

The Chairman, Mr. D. L. O'Gorman, said that, to bring to a head their long dispute with the Local Government Department about having the money obtained by motor and petrol taxation used on the roads, he suggested a fifty per cent. reduction in the County Surveyor's estimate.

The County Surveyor said that the Council had cut the main roads estimate to £60,000 in 1935, and it was the worst economy ever made.

It was agreed to allow £78,000 for main roads, the remainder of the estimate being adjourned.

SWEDISH HELP FOR FINLAND

HUMANITARIAN AID ONLY

STOCKHOLM, Thursday.

Opening the Rikstag, the nation's Parliament, to-day, King Gustav stated that the country's desire to help Finland was finding "unmistakeable expression in the humanitarian aid being extended," but there was no suggestion in his speech of possible military co-operation with the Finns. All Swedes who volunteer to fight for Finland must first resign any rank they hold in the Swedish forces.

The Finance Ministry disclosed its view that it would be impossible to cover civil and military needs out of taxes and current revenue, and the income for the special military Budget is not all provided for yet. Last year's income tax yield of 470,000,000 crowns is expected to be slightly reduced this year.—(The Associated Press.)

CHEMICAL WORKS EXPLOSION

A SECOND DEATH

Robert Barston, aged 54, one of the four men injured in the explosion at the chemical works of John Richardson and Company (Leicester), Ltd., on Tuesday last, died last night in the Leicester Royal Infirmary. He was the only one of the injured to be admitted to hospital. One man, James Hall, was killed in the explosion.

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The GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY

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A CARGO boat service, via Rosslare, for GOODS and PARCELS traffic only, will still be maintained. PASSENGERS wishing to travel via Fishguard should avail of the WATERFORD-Fishguard service, due to leave Adelphi Wharf, Waterford, at 7.20 p.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

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R.D.S. RECITALS AND LECTURES

The Royal Dublin Society's winter session of musical recitals will be resumed on Monday next, when afternoon and evening recitals will be given by the Grinke Trio, composed of Kendall Taylor (piano), Frederick Grinke (violin) and Florence Hooton (violoncello).

Their programmes will consist of works by Beethoven, Brahms, Haydn, Ravel, Schubert and John Ireland.

The lecture on Friday afternoon next will be given by Mr. H. E. Symons, F.R.G.S., the distinguished motoring journalist and correspondent.

His talk, which is illustrated with coloured films and slides, will describe his record journey by car from London to Cape Town—10,300 miles in a month—and the adventures he met with on the way, which included a midnight crash from a high bridge into a crocodile-infested river, a narrow escape from being crushed by a giant tree struck by lightning, being snowed-up in African mountains and delayed by rainstorms in the Sahara.

During the last war Mr. Symons joined up at the age of eighteen and served with the Royal Naval Air Service, afterwards volunteering for service in North Russia. When the war was over he looked for and found adventure in long-distance motoring—he has actually crossed the Sahara Desert nine times.

As already announced, Mr Edward Shackleton will lecture at the R.D.S. this afternoon on "The Why and Wherefore of Exploration."

MESSRS. DICKSON'S SEED CATALOGUE

The seed catalogue, "About 'Hawlmark' Seeds, 1940," which has just been issued by Messrs. Alex. Dickson and Sons, Dublin, Ltd., of Dawson street, is much more than a mere catalogue; it is an informative guide to gardening, which should appeal alike to expert and amateur. In its notes on the cultivation of beets, spinach, beans, asparagus, broccoli, kale, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cress, and the widest possible variety of flowers, bulbs and shrubs, everything that the amateur gardener should know is given—the proper type of ground, the site, when the first sowing should be made, and whether or not to manure.

Of particular interest is the section dealing with the raising of flowering plants from seed, and the "Dozen Suggestions" on how to brighten the garden.

A final section classifies and prices all the garden tools and horticultural requisites necessary for proper gardening. Altogether this is a most excellent publication.

PROFESSOR O'RAHILLY REPLIES TO H. G. WELLS

As will be seen from our advertising columns, Professor Alfred O'Rahilly, the distinguished Irish scientist, scholar and sociologist, begins this week in *The Standard* his reply to the attack upon Catholicism, and in particular upon Irish Catholics, made by H. G. Wells in his recent book, "The Fate of Homo Sapiens." Considerable publicity was given in the country and elsewhere to the summary of the book published by an English illustrated weekly—now banned in Eire—and Professor O'Rahilly's reply will be read with interest by Irish Catholics.

NEW MOTTO FOR STOMACH SUFFERERS

"Normalise your Stomach Acid"

Sufferers from Indigestion and stomach pain have read so much about stomach acid that they are bewildered. Should there be acid in the stomach? Of course there should; that's what you digest your food with. But isn't stomach pain due to acidity? It is—*to too much acid*. You don't get pain when your stomach acid is NORMAL. When your stomach is painful you want to *normalise* your stomach acid. This is precisely what Maclean Brand Stomach Powder is for. Unlike some remedies that swill away Nature's supply of acid, this soothing powder deals with the *excess* of acid that eats into the walls of your stomach—the *excess* of acid that paves the way for gastric ulcers. So gentle in action is MACLEAN BRAND Stomach Powder that it protects your normal acid balance. It keeps down excess acid and tones your digestive juices. In a word, it normalises your stomach acid. Watch the effect of a dose next time you have stomach pain. Notice the quick, soothing effect—how rapidly excess acid is dispersed and stomach comfort restored.

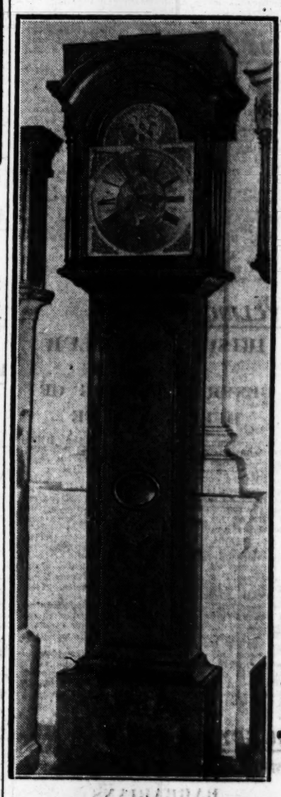
When buying look for the signature "ALEX. C. MACLEAN" on bottle and carton—that is your safeguard against disappointment. 1/6, 2/3 and 5/3, Powder or Tablets.

CUP SEMI-FINALISTS AT CLOUNANNA

PATRICK KAVANAGH.—A new portrait by Mr. Sean O'Sullivan, R.H.A., of the recent winner of the A E Memorial Prize.

AT THE ANNUAL DINNER of the Garbally School Union, at the Dolphin Hotel. From left: Senator Michael Tierney, Professor J. J. Hogan, Mr. B. Geoghegan (President), and Rev. J. Cogavin, B.A. (President of the College).

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE at the annual Coal Trade dance, at the Gresham Hotel on Wednesday night.



"THE TRIUMPH OF BACCHUS."—A carved wooden drop-panel of a rare sixteenth century Spanish secretaire or vargueno, which has been lent to the National Museum by a well-known Dublin art dealer. Left: A Longcase Clock, made by Holmes, of Dublin, and acquired by Oliver Goldsmith's father, a clergyman of Lissoy, between Ballymahon and Athlone. It dates to the early eighteenth century, and is reputed to be "the clock that ticked behind the door" in the "Deserted Village."

WATCHING THE COURSING at Clounanna yesterday. From left: Mr. J. M. Collins, Mr. T. Ryan and Mr. Tom Morris.

SEMI-FINALISTS in the Irish Coursing Cup at Clounanna to-day. Top (left): Mr. Keighery's nomination Fiery Future. Top (right): Mr. M. O'Beirne's Dinna Forget. Bottom (left): Mr. Shaw's nomination Shule Aroon. Bottom (right): Mr. J. P. Frost's Royal Blend.

DR. JOHN R. HANNA, County Surgeon for Jersey, son of Mr. Justice Hanna, who, in recognition of his services in the St. John Ambulance Brigade, has been appointed a Serving Brother of the Grand Priory of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem.

MR. M. D. SHAW Master of the Limerick Harriers, at yesterday's meet at Red Hill. Right: Mr. J. Monsell and Master C. Chute at the meet.

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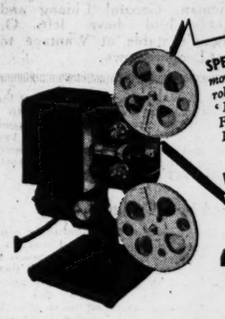

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OPENING OF NEW LAW TERM

NO MENTION OF OFFENCES BILL APPEAL

HOW COURT MAY BE CONSTITUTED

THE Hilary Law Sittings were opened yesterday after the customary meeting of the Benchers in the Benchers' Chambers. Subsequently all the Supreme Court judges sat in the Supreme Court to hear any application that might be made to them regarding the listing of appeals.

The Chief Justice announced that there would be put in the list for to-day, to be mentioned, at 11.15 o'clock, the appeals under settlement: "*In re* Workmen's Compensation Act, 1934, Byrne v. the Drumm Battery Co., Ltd."; and "in the goods of Blunden, deceased, Gabbett and others v. Blunden (new trial motion)."

For next Monday the appeal in the case of the Irish Industrial Benefit Building Society v. O'Brien and another would be listed for hearing.

No mention was made to the Offences Against the State (Amendment) Bill, 1940, which the President, Dr. Douglas Hyde, following the first Council of State at his official residence, Aras an Uachtarain, last Monday, decided to refer to the Supreme Court, under Article 26 of the Constitution, for a decision on the question whether the bill is repugnant to the Constitution, or to any part thereof.

TERMS OF ARTICLE

Article 26 of the Constitution states:—"The Supreme Court, consisting of not less than five judges, shall consider every question referred to it by the President under this Article for a decision, and, having heard arguments by, or on behalf of, the Attorney-General, and by counsel assigned by the Court, shall pronounce its decision on such question in open Court as soon as may be, but in any case not later than sixty days after the date of such reference."

Mr. Justice Johnston, it is expected, will retire on reaching the age fixed for retiring on 17th of this month; but, as the President of the High Court is *ex-officio* a member of the Supreme Court, a Supreme Court, "consisting of not less than five judges," would be available to deal with the Offences Against the State (Amendment) Bill should a judge not be appointed to succeed the retiring judge within the time specified in the Article.

Mr. Justice O'Byrne sat in Court 4 to hear *ex parte* motions, and the Master of the High Court heard motions of course and disposed of bankruptcy matters.

COVENTRY EXPLOSION

IRISH K.C. TO APPEAR IN APPEAL

Mr. Albert E. Wood, K.C., a member of the Irish Bar, has been retained to lead for James Richards (29) and Peter Barnes (32), of Clara street, Coventry, in their appeal before the Court of Criminal Appeal, London, from their conviction on the charge of the murder of Elsie Ansell, shop assistant, who was fatally injured in an explosion at Broadgate, Coventry, on August 25 last.

Mr. Douglas Jenkins, barrister-at-law, who appeared for the defence at the men's trial, will be with Mr. Wood on the hearing of the appeal, which, it is expected, will not come before the Court before the 22nd instant.

Messrs. Richards and Barnes were tried at Birmingham in December, before Mr. Justice Singleton, with three other persons, who were acquitted of the murder charge.

Messrs. Lehane and Hogan, solicitors, Dublin, acting on behalf of relatives of Richards and Barnes, instructed a Coventry firm of solicitors in connection with the lodging of the appeal and retained the services of Mr. Wood.

CHARITABLE INFIRMARY COMMITTEE

The annual meeting of the Governors and Guardians of the Charitable Infirmary, Jervis street, Dublin, was held at the hospital yesterday to elect a Managing Committee for 1940.

The following were elected:—The Most Rev. Dr. Edward J. Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin; the Very Rev. Michael Boylan, Adm.; Messrs. John Cahill, George Clune, Nicholas Colleton, David Coyle, the Very Rev. John Canon Flood, P.P.; Mr. John G. Fottrell, Senator Denis D. Healy, Messrs. J. M. Irwin, Hugh Kennedy, Peter McCarthy, James McMorrough, William Ryan and Cecil G. Stapleton.

Wallace Beery, the man who used to live alone and didn't like it, announced that he intended to adopt three children and turn them into film actors. He already has two foster daughters, and he considers that one more daughter and a couple of sons would make a full house.

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Chief Executive Officer.

MAY BE HARMFUL TO BRAY

GREEN BELT AROUND DUBLIN

The provision of a "green belt" surrounding Dublin City, in the town-planning scheme, was referred to by Mr. E. M. Murphy, B.E., Surveyor, Bray, in a report to the Bray Urban Council. He pointed out that this "green belt," immediately adjoining the Bray urban district, would mean that all development north of Bray urban district boundary would be stopped, and any advantages that would accrue to the district by development in that direction, and possible expansion, would be impossible.

Mr. Murphy recalled that the Bray Urban Council had applied for an extension of the urban boundaries to Shankill, and suggested that he should be authorised to discuss this matter with the Dublin town-planning authorities, with a proviso that the Bray Council was not in agreement with the sterilising of the area immediately north of the urban boundary.

Mr. Sean Gibbons, for the Dublin Corporation, wrote stating that, under the Town Regional Planning Act of 1939, the Dublin Corporation was the town-planning authority for the four Counties of Dublin, Wicklow, Kildare and Meath.

Bray Council agreed that the Chairman, Town Clerk and Surveyor should consult with the Dublin regional planning authority, and that the Town Clerk and Surveyor should prepare and submit to the Council a draft planning scheme for Bray.

Jewish labour columns, in which Jews are compelled to work for two years at specially allotted tasks, are being organised in German-occupied Poland, says the official German News Agency.

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OCEAN BLEND COLLAPSES AT CLOUNANNA

ENGLISH RACING TOPICS

EARLY 'CHASING DAYS

Astonishing Life of Tom Oliver: His Trip to Ireland

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday Night.

TO a carouse at the Epsom residence of the twelfth Earl of Derby, which was called The Oaks, the late Lord Rosebery once attributed the foundations of two great classic races—the Derby and the Oaks.

One might not be far wrong in suggesting that it was in similar conditions that steeplechasing had its origin and its name, and that Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Blake—I think these were their names—were well fortified before they set out to pound across Co. Cork from one church steeple to another.

There is probably more legend than fact in the story of this contest, but "steeplechasing" clung, and, in the thirties of last century, it was on the fair way of becoming the great game it is now. In fact, over a hundred years ago it was already a "great game," though the conditions were different and the ramifications nothing like so wide.

It would be idle to compare the horses—Lottery, for example, with, say, Golden Miller of this decade; but the riders of those days could stand comparison with any men of any time. Their names and their deeds are not half as well known as they ought to be.

Great Riders of Old

Take only Captain Becher, Jem Mason, Tom Oliver, and the brothers Allen and William McDonogh. The opinion is ventured that one could search the length and breadth of England to-day to find five men one could name with these for horsemanship—horsemanship is placed first—jockeyship, judgment of pace, skill in presenting a horse at a fence, and the ability to ride a different horse.

The opinion is further ventured that such tigers as Becher, Mason, Oliver and the McDonoghs would more than hold their own to-day, even round park courses, let alone Liverpool, against any modern jockeys, because they were natural horsemen, and could adapt themselves to any circumstances. On the other hand, modern jockeys would be lost, bewildered and befuddled if they had to ride round a flagged country, over ridge and furrow and plough, timber and river.

A Little Adventure

What I really want to write about is Tom Oliver, who may not have been the absolutely best of the five, but certainly was the outstanding "character," and a little adventure that once befel him in Ireland.

"Black Tom" was not born in Sussex with a silver spoon gripped in his gums, and at a very early age he had to battle for existence. He thought racing stables, or any sort of stables, the best battle ground, and had seen a great deal of the ups and downs of life, though not a tenth of what he was to see later, before he was twenty.

It was in the eighteen thirties at Bath races, when he was in one of his frequent periods of separation from the "ready iron" that someone offered him a job to train at an establishment "at the Curragh." I have read that the place was Rossmore Lodge, but this is hardly credible, as at that period the other Tom—Fergusson—was well dug in there.

His Irish Episode

A writer in the *Sporting Review* some years later thus describes the Irish episode: "Accepting the offer, he started happy as a cricket with no direction on his back. The circumstances of the owner of the "castle" not being very flourishing, there was often a scarcity to be found in the commisariat department of his new home. Tom acted as Mr. Commissioner Fidler—Fidler was the man charged with rationing the Army in the Crimea—and every beast of the field and every fowl of the air, with the exception of an old peacock, that defied all his efforts, was laid under contribution.

At last the siege was raised, and Mr. Tyrwhitt Jones—an English friend—sent him thirty shillings to get to Ireland with a couple of horses. Such were the demands made on him that he had to lead a two-year-old and another animal twenty-seven Irish miles with nothing but two pennyworth of whiskey and a dry biscuit.

Pursued by a Creditor

"On their arrival at Queenstown, the wind being contrary, they were delayed four days, and the "office" having been forwarded to the Curragh a hungry creditor pursued them and threatened to seize both horses unless they were given up. To this proposition Tom was compelled to accede, the pressure of the money market being too powerful for him to withstand, and he being too anxious to quit a country where he had to live on buttermilk and oatmeal—no casseroled peacock, mark you."

The resourceful Oliver eventually arrived in Liverpool, instead of an Irish jail, with a copper or two in his pocket, and he soon found work with a Mr. Farrell, an eminent Irish horse-coper of that city, the work being mainly to take a string of horses round all the fairs in the North. "By this means," says our writer, "his seat on a horse became much improved, as he rode bare-back with a lip-string and a mouthful of ginger, an ashplant in his hand, and a single spur to make the screws spring with him."

Off to Southampton

In Liverpool Tom committed an indiscretion, and had to leave the city hurriedly. Southampton seemed a safe distance away, so he went there, where an uncle who was training some horses in the area assisted him. He had never seen any steeplechasing up to that time, but, having been sent to the Egham meeting, he caught the idea of the sort of life he wanted to adopt, and after that Mr. Becher and Powell became his household gods. Then in the course of his astonishing life Tom Oliver rode three winners of the Grand National — Gaylad, Vanguard and Peter Simple.

The writer in the *Sporting Review* says he once questioned him about his riding, and when he rode best. Tom replied: "Squire, it's like this. When you've got 'the traps' in the house and 'the bums' after you, and you say to yourself three fields from home, 'if my nut is screwed on a little bit better than these other beggars how pleased the wife and kids will be,' that makes you ride."

"And it was with these thoughts," adds the commentator, "that he won the Newport Pagnell 'Chase on The Curate, and got enough to get rid of two 'unfriendly gents' who were 'staying' with him at the time at Cheltenham."

GALTEE MORE.

MR. RANK'S RUNNERS IN "RED CROSS"

Mr. James V. Rank will have two runners in the valuable Red Cross Handicap Steeplechase at Leopardstown on January 20. They are Southern Hero, who will be ridden by H. Nicholson, and Young Mischief, who will be ridden by T. Isaac.

T. F. Carey will ride Lord Bicester's Rockquilla, and John Barrett has been engaged for Russ.

Miss Paget's Solford, John Chinaman, General Chiang and Bright Child have left O. Anthony's stable at Wantage to run at Leopardstown.

STILL NO RACING IN ENGLAND

ADDITIONAL FIXTURE FOR GATWICK

Haydock Park programme arranged for to-day has been postponed until to-morrow, and the card for Saturday has been abandoned.

There has been no racing in England since December 27. The abandoned meetings have been: Cheltenham, December 28; Newbury, December 29 and 30; Manchester and Plumpton, January 1; Gatwick, January 5 and 6, and Leicester, January 8 and 9.

Meetings are scheduled to take place next week at Nottingham on Monday and Tuesday, and at Wetherby on Saturday.

Gatwick has been given an additional fixture to take place on February 14 and 15. That follows directly on a two-day meeting at Leicester, and precedes a two-day meeting at Windsor. There will thus be six days racing in that week, if circumstances permit.

EXTENSION OF SEASON

The suggestion that the jumping season might be extended beyond the Grand National Meeting in April is receiving consideration, but nothing can be settled until the dates of the flat racing fixtures are known. No announcement has been made by the Jockey Club as to when the flat-racing season will begin, or how many fixtures there will be.

A member of the National Hunt Committee said yesterday: "There has been a big demand from all over Great Britain for more jumping fixtures, and we should like to get them if we can. I am receiving letters by every post, but I cannot tell you anything definite until the flat-racing position is made clear."

AT CHELTENHAM

The programme for the National Hunt's annual meeting at Cheltenham on March 13 and 14 appears in the *Racing Calendar*. The principal races on the first day are the Champion Hurdle Challenge Cup, value £200, with £500 added; the National Hunt Handicap Steeplechase of £500, and the Cheltenham Grand Annual Chase, a challenge cup, value £100, with £300 added. The chief race on the second day is the Cheltenham Gold Cup, value £100, with £500 added.

MORE UPSETS IN THE IRISH CUP

Belfast and Limerick Dogs May Contest Final To-day

BY OUR COURSING CORRESPONDENT.

LIMERICK, Thursday.

OCEAN BLEND got no further than the third round of the Irish Cup at Clounanna to-day. On our arrival he had gone out to 5 to 1 in the long odds, and inquiries elicited the information that he was not himself; and that something had gone amiss with the joint favourite (he and Royal Blend, his litter-brother, were at 3 to 1 at the close of the second round) was borne out by his performance in his third course with Erin's Hawk, who led him three lengths. Even so, the Kerry dog had his chance, but he was not running with the fire he put into it yesterday. Suddenly, to the consternation of his backers, he went on to his head and collapsed.

ROYAL BLEND "QUITS"

Royal Blend was favourite on resuming, and held his place to the close of the day, but his fourth round display was not a brilliant one by any means. He got the better of Brilliant Tea quite handsomely, and next time, when slipped with Select Music, he was going as freely when he stood stock-still, and was looking on for the remainder of the course, the while Select Music was making valiant efforts to get to the racing hare. When the white collar stood up he had scored a deal more than the bitch, but had the latter been able to command the hare she might have raised the flag. Pussy, however, was too good for her.

The result of the two rounds was that Shule Aroon, nominated by Mr. J. Shaw, of Belfast; Fiery Future, representing Mr. Patrick Keighery; Dinna Forget, running for Mr. O'Beirne, an enthusiastic supporter of the sport from the West, and Mr. James Frost's Royal Blend will go to slips for the all-important fifth round.

I do not like Shule Aroon's style of coursing. That he is fast—perhaps the fastest of those remaining in—admits of no doubt whatsoever, but he rushes about after off his turns, recovers and dashes across for occasional points. He has been doing that sort of thing since he came here, but he has the pace, and that enables him to pull it off each time. At one stage in the run-up with Roving Brother it looked odds-on the brindled scoring the turn from him. The red collar was showing clear until almost bearing on the hare, when the black, with a tremendous effort, shot out and, brought pussy round fully two lengths to spare. After that there was but the one in it, as, when seemingly on the point of making it interesting, Roving Brother went heavily on to his shoulders, and that was the end of it.

TEST FOR SHULE AROON

Shule Aroon can stay as well as being fast, but he will be up against it when he goes to slips with Fiery Future. The latter is nominated by a sportsman who has had much good fortune at Clounanna. He nominated Mossy Bank when he won the Cup, and also named Hedgeside when he ran up for the trophy. Will Mr. Keighery's luck hold good this time. I do not believe it will; rather am I inclined to the view that Fiery Future will be led by Shule Aroon and that the latter will be slipped with Royal Blend for the deciding course.

The coursing again reached a very high standard, but it was nothing like as exciting as Wednesday's, when favourite after favourite succumbed. A victory for Royal Blend would be immensely popular locally, as Mr. Frost has been connected with the Limerick Club and Clounanna for many years; but should Mr. Shaw's dog get to the end of the stake his success would likewise be well received. He is one of the few coursers in the North who has striven for years to keep the sport alive in Ulster and has been for as many seasons a loyal supporter of many Southern meetings.

DETAILS OF THE COURSING

HUNTING

WARD UNION HOUNDS

A very big field met hounds at Fairyhouse Bridge on Wednesday. A stag enlarged at Cobbler's Hill went away across the racecourse, but turned sharply right-handed, and hounds hunted at a good pace across the Mullinam lane into Herbertstown. They went on by Caulstown to Nutstown, but doubled back near Pinkeen Bridge, and hunted hard along the river to Herbertstown, then crossed the Fairyhouse road at the Royal Meath Dairy and ran by Ennistown to Rathbeggan.

Here they crossed the main road and hunted more slowly parallel to the railway for some distance towards the Black Bull before crossing it for Quarrylands. With the stag now a long way ahead of them, they were just able to carry the line by Beggstown into Woodpark, where eventually they had to admit defeat, leaving the stag master of the situation. Though somewhat twisty, this was a very nice hunt—especially in its earlier stages—of an hour and fifty minutes.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

WARD UNION.

January.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 13th	Cabin Hill	1.30

THE KILDARE.

Saturday, 13th	Donadea P.O.	11. 0
THE MEATH.		
To-day	Laracor	11. 0

OTHER MEETS TO-DAY.

Ballymacad Hounds—Fore, 11.0.
Co. Galway Hounds ("The Blazers")—Oranmore, 11.0.
East Galway Hounds—Clonfert, 11.0.
Gaultier Hounds—Cockle Bridge, 11.0.
Ireland Hounds—The Ballags, 11.0.
Co. Limerick Hounds—Newbridge, 11.0.
Louth Hounds—Hilltown, 11.0.
Queen's County Hounds Blandsfort Cross-roads, 12.0.
Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Ardmayleberg, 12.0.
South Union Hounds—Heathburn Hall, 11.0.
West Waterford Hounds—Clashmore, 11.0.
Westmeath Hounds—Castletown, 11.0.
Wexford Hounds—Enniscorthy, 11.0.
Mid-Antrim Harriers—Bridgend, 12.30.
Fingal Harriers—Ballymadun, 12.0.
North Kildare Harriers—Lough Bryan, 11.30.
Longford Harriers—Croshea, 12.0.
Newry Harriers—Drumbanagher (Poyntzpass Gate), 12.30.
Mr. O'Hara's Harriers Carrowreilly, 11.30.
Coollattin Hounds—Shillelagh, 11.0.

HUNT CARDS.

BALLYMACAD HOUNDS.—January—Tuesday, 16th, Crossakiel; Saturday, 20th, Loughcrew; Tuesday, 23rd, Patrickstown Cross; Friday, 26th, Crossdrum; Tuesday, 30th, Archerstown. At 11.0.

BRAY HARRIERS.—January—Saturday, 13th, Beehive, 2 p.m.

SOUTH COUNTY DUBLIN HARRIERS.—January—Saturday, 13th, Meet at Rathcoole, 2 p.m.; Friday, 19th, Meet at Crumlin, 2 p.m. This run has been put forward from Saturday, 20th, in view of the Red Cross Steeplechase being held that day.

MEATH HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—These Hounds will meet at Culmullen Chapel on Tuesday, 16th January, instead of Kilmoon Cross-roads.

Judge—Mr. M. Davin. Slipper—W. Casey.

IRISH CUP.—For 64 all ages. Winner, £350 and Cup; second, two dogs, £40 each; four dogs, £20 each; eight dogs, £10 each.

THIRD ROUND.

ROVING BROTHER beat Jersey Rascal. 2/1 on Roving Brother.
SHULE AROON beat Pretty Forethought. 6/4 on Pretty Forethought.
CHEERS FOR FAHA beat Marching Through Georgia. 6/4 on Marching Through Georgia.
FIERY FUTURE beat Dee Border. 4/1 on Fiery Future.
ERIN'S HAWK beat Ocean Blend. 5/2 on Ocean Blend.
DINNA FORGET beat Wood Warbler. 9/2 on Dinna Forget.
SELECT MUSIC a bye; Spencer's Hill drawn (injured).
ROYAL BLEND beat Brilliant Tea. 5/4 on Royal Blend.

FOURTH ROUND.

SHULE AROON beat Roving Brother. 5/1 on Shule Aroon.
FIERY FUTURE beat Cheers for Faha. 6/4 on Fiery Future.
DINNA FORGET beat Erin's Hawk. 4/1 on Dinna Forget.
ROYAL BLEND beat Select Music. 5/2 on Royal Blend.

IRISH PURSE.—For 24 dogs beaten in first round of Cup. Winner £20; second, £20; two dogs, £7 10/- each; four dogs, £5 each.

Miss R. Butler ns. JOYOUS KANT beat Mr. J. J. Broderick ns. Gairha Moonlight.
Mr. D. Slattery ns. IRIS OIR beat Mr. R. O'Sullivan ns. Lurrigadaun.
Mr. C. J. Kerin ns. MONALIA BOB beat Mr. J. M. Collins ns. Russian Fancy.
Mr. P. O'Brien ns. THRIVO beat Mr. E. Baxter's Eighth Brigade.
Mrs. E. Adams's ROESIDE SCOTTIE a bye; Mr. T. F. Ryan ns. Jolly Honey drawn.
Mr. Jos. Barry ns. BRIGHT GALLON beat Mr. A. F. Callanan ns. Robert in Diablo.
Capt. M. O'Connell ns. LILAC THORN a bye; Mr. W. J. Quinn ns. Time May Tell drawn.
Mr. P. J. McNamara ns. LUCKY MODEL a bye; Mr. Joe Barry ns. Tiger Jazz drawn.
Mr. T. O'Sullivan ns. SLASHING SHINE beat Mr. J. O'Keeffe ns. Close Hauled.
Mr. C. Murphy's MAULAREGGAN BOY a bye; Mr. C. Coogan ns. Glenleigh Moon drawn.
Mr. J. Bruton ns. DASHING CORPORAL beat Mr. H. Mussen's Moaside Lawn.
Mr. W. Mackey ns. HIGHLAND RATION beat Mr. J. C. Galloway's Golden Sherry.

SECOND ROUND.

IRIS OIR beat Joyous Kant.
MONALIA BOB beat Thrivo.
BRIGHT GALLON a bye, Roeside Scottie drawn.
LILAC THORN beat Lucky Model.
SLASHING SHINE beat Maularegan Boy.
HIGHLAND RATION beat Dashing Corporal.

IRISH PLATE.—For 12 dogs beaten in second round of Cup. Winner, £60; second, £20; two dogs, £7 10/ each; four dogs, £2 10/- each.

Mr. T. A. Morris's MOUNTIE beat Mr. P. J. Hogan ns. Another Lancer.
Mr. D. O'Loghlen ns. OLD LOVE'S CALLING beat Mr. W. J. Quinn's Quaint Princess.
Mrs. J. V. Rank ns. JIG AND REEL beat Mr. T. G. Clarke ns. Rocking Horse.
Mr. J. A. Byrne ns. BRIGHT-EYED VOLUNTEER beat Mr. J. Clarke ns. O'Brien's Heartbreak.
Mr. P. J. Heneban ns. JOLLY HOKEY beat Mr. J. Clyne ns. Holiday Breaker.
Dr. T. Murphy ns. WESTERN FREAK beat Dr. M. Feely ns. Pal's Brown Eyes.

COURSES DESCRIBED

CUP—THIRD ROUND

Roving Brother shifted his game three lengths clear of Jersey Rascal, who took the second and third. Straightaway followed with Jersey Rascal having his full share of them, and Roving Brother tiring before the end, the other went on to the escape with a racing hare.

Shule Aroon rattled away six lengths from Pretty Forethought, overshot the hare, but dashed in for the second. The hare then took possession, but Shule Aroon stood clear by him, and his extra pace gave him a comparatively easy victory, the loser having enough of it before the course finished.

Cheers for Faha forged up for a two lengths' lead of Marching Through Georgia, and after a few exchanges asserted a marked superiority in the stretches behind, a demon of a hare, on which they could make little impression.

Fiery Future led Dee Border four lengths and held strong possession for a couple more. The puppy then had an innings, but at the spinney Fiery Future was there again and went by strongly to drive pussy in.

Erin's Hawk got the turn three lengths clear of Ocean Blend, and had the second also. The white collar continued to have the better of it, and Ocean Blend, going on to his head and collapsing, Erin's Hawk had the remainder of the trial to himself to the spinney.

Dinna Forget led Wood Warbler two lengths, and, commanding his hare in style, had the best of the points when he ended a smart display with the kill to get off lightly.

Select Music ran a long single bye, Spencer's Hill being drawn with an injured toe.

Royal Blend stretched out four lengths from Brilliant Tea in a long stretch, and went on nicely for the second. Brilliant Tea cut in for one, but Royal Blend was there again, and, although the white collar had a couple to the good, was well in arrear when the good hare beat him.

CUP—FOURTH ROUND

Roving Brother showed pace from slips and was well clear of Shule Aroon nearing the hare, but the black shot out for a lead of two lengths. He then went out, before Roving Brother could use the spare, Shule Aroon dashed across for another. At exchange or two followed; but, although rushing gamely, Shule Aroon had too much pace, and when Roving Brother fell at the drain Shule Aroon was left in undisputed possession to the escapes.

Fiery Future led Cheers for Faha a length; Fiery Future, on good account, and held sensible possession for a good kill.

Dinna Forget was up three lengths for the opening points. A finely contested course followed, but Erin's Hawk, although scoring some good points, did not last it out, and the winner was alone while the hare when she brought them to the escapes.

Royal Blend, after getting the hare by two lengths from Select Music, scored a few sharp points before the latter got the better of it, but when they had exchanged a time or two Royal Blend, with a strong winning balance, stood still and watched the other going on with the racing hare.

PURSE—FIRST ROUND

Joyous Kant shot up for a two lengths' lead of Gairha Moonlight, and had lots the better of both ends of a testing spin to the laurels.

Iris Oir was two lengths in front of Lurrigadaun. A ground trial ensued, the white collar contesting it resolutely, but Iris Oir had a shade the better of the pace and a good bit in hand when he raced by at the spinney.

Monalia Bob led Russian Fancy two-lengths, and had a short course won well when Russian Fancy killed in the drain.

Thrivo was just up on an inside from Eighth Brigade, and had so much the better of the opening of a well-contested trial that the stronger finish of the red collar was of no avail.

Roeside Scottie ran a bye, Jolly Honey being drawn.

Bright Gallon went slick into his game a length in front of Robert le Diable.

Lilac Thorn ran a bye, Time May Tell being drawn.

Lucky Model ran a bye, Tiger Jazz being drawn.

Slashing Shine, in a long slip, led Close Hauled three lengths. Close Hauled took his place, Close Hauled had his chance, but could not hold a fast hare, which went clear away from him, and the Kerry dog went on to his initial advantage.

Maularegan Boy ran a bye, Glenleigh Moon being drawn.

Dashing Corporal led Moaside Lawn two lengths, and had a couple more before the Belfast dog took his place, but the latter had not done enough when the hare beat him.

Highland Ration shot out for a lead of two lengths, and had every point. Golden Cherry collapsing and somersaulting three-quarters up the ground.

PURSE—SECOND ROUND

After a no-course, Joyous Kant, running unsighted, led by two lengths, used the hare again, went by him, and held strong command for pace, going by again to the escapes.

Monalia Bob led Thrivo two lengths, and when he brought his teeth into play had had three-fourths of a short trial.

Bright Gallon ran a bye, Roeside Scottie being drawn.

Lilac Thorn rattled away for a four lengths' lead of Lucky Model. He had two more scores, and then allowed the white collar to take possession and go on for several wrenches to the spinney.

Slashing Shine led Maularegan Boy a dozen lengths and used the hare later, but the white collar nicked in for a couple and went by, but did not do enough before the hare bimbled him.

Highland Ration was two lengths faster than Dashing Corporal and had much the better of a heavy course to the spinney.

PLATE—FIRST ROUND

Mountie shifted his hare two lengths clear of Another Lancer, and had two good points and the kill.

Old Love's Calling was just up from Quaint Princess, and when the latter fell into the drain she was well in arrear.

Jig and Reel was up a length or so from Rocking Horse, and, the latter being seldom on the line of the hare, was decisively outfooted and outcounted to the spinney.

In a great buckle Bright Eyed Volunteer squeezed up on the inside from O'Brien's Heartbreak and spun round and round the red collar, who collapsed. Bright Eyed Volunteer then went on alone, but he had more than enough of it before the escape was reached.

After being led six lengths by Jolly Hokey, Holiday Breaker also broke down, and the red collar had all the course.

Western Freak led Pal's Brown Eyes a length and a half, and had practically the whole of a short course when he legged the hare.

LONG ODDS BETTING

BEFORE THIRD ROUND.

3 to 1 agst. Royal Blend.
4 to 1 Select Music.
5 to 1 Ocean Blend.
6 to 1 each Marching Through Georgia and Dinna Forget.
7 to 1 each Pretty Forethought, Fiery Future, and Spencer's Hill.
8 to 1 Brilliant Tea.
12 to 1 Shule Aroon.
16 to 1 Cheers for Faha.
20 to 1 Roving Brother.
25 to 1 each Jersey Rascal and Dee Border.
33 to 1 Erin's Hawk.
50 to 1 Wood Warbler.

AFTER FOURTH ROUND.

Evens Royal Blend.
2 to 1 each agst. Shule Aroon and Dinna Forget.
6 to 1 Fiery Future.

KILKERLEY—TO-MORROW

Judge—Mr. P. Watters. Slipper—J. Culligan.

TRIAL STAKES (16 dog puppies)—Mr. P. Magee's Mount Nugent v. Mr. J. Hourican's Sergeant Swift; Mr. T. Carragher's Carragh Moon v. Mr. B. Sloan's Liverpool Lad; Mr. T. McGinn's Avaricious v. Mr. A. McKeever's Middle Slide; Mr. P. O'Hanlon's Silent Square v. Mr. M. Crosby's Hulla Boozing Rover; Mr. J. Neary's Hook On v. Mr. J. Burns' Border Pilgrim; Mr. P. Crilly's Feather Moon v. Mr. D. Gordon's Lone Gonsoon; Mr. P. McArdle's Rassamore v. Mr. J. McManus's Drumanar; Mrs. J. Shaw's Silevenamon v. Mr. M. O'Reilly's Opall Thorn.

RATHMORE STAKES (8 all-ages)—Mr. P. O'Hanlon's Shanroe Brook v. Mr. B. Sloan's Liverpool Bar; Mr. D. Gordon's Lone Liar v. Mr. R. Treadwell's Balgree Rover; Mr. J. Shaw's St. Columba v. Mr. J. Berrill's Flying Mine; Mr. P. Murray's Publican's Pint v. Mr. R. Dillon's The Trying Colleen; Mr. J. Burns's Border Judy a bye.

KILKERLEY STAKES (14 one-course all-ages)—Mr. T. Digby's Killykeo Hero v. Mr. T. Harvey's Silver Twig; Mr. J. Hughes's Bridle Lane Boy v. Mr. P. Hourican's Jolly Mariner; Mr. P. O'Hanlon's The Square Fan v. Mr. M. Duffy's Slip Together; Mr. P. Crilly's Ballyrubbin v. Miss Hall being drawn with an injured toe.

Mr. P. Watters's Rocky Bridge ns. G. McMahon's Carnally Rocks v. Mr. J. Buddy's Obsession; Mrs. Neary's Girl Nell v. Miss J. Cox's Swift Iris; Miss Watters's Middle Mook v. Mr. J. Campbell's Late Colleen.

SHERRARD STAKES (16 no-course all-ages)—Mr. O. Dwyer's Ballyhaise Lad v. Mr. J. Clarke's Reliable Johnny; Mr. T. Raferty's Border Cop v. Mr. J. Campbell's Certificate Card; Miss B. Rooney's Ivy Ulster v. Miss V. Neary's Mr. McGlashen's Scotland Rock; Mr. L. Goodman's Black Ostrich v. Mr. P. O'Hanlon's Creeves Brook; Mr. Keighry's Cockeyed Billy v. Mr. J. Corrigan's Moorefield Boatman; Mr. J. Martin's Silent Nell v. Mr. M. Crosby's Booming Tenor; Mr. P. McEvoy's Ballinard Lassie v. Mr. P. Hilliard's Farmer's Victim; Mr. McGinn's Woe Mattie v. Miss A. McKeever's Middle Loop.

First trace in slips at 11.30.

COURSING.—For comment by "Master McGrath" and Result of Cup Meeting, see To-morrow's Issue of "THE IRISH FIELD."—(Advt.)

CRICKET

THE REGIONAL PROPOSAL

The M.C.C. announced yesterday that they are not at present prepared to initiate what has been described as Regional Cricket. At the same time, if there is a general feeling among the counties that this form of cricket is reasonable and possible, the right course will be for the counties to ask for a meeting of the Advisory County Cricket Committee to be summoned.

IRISH SPORTSMEN ABROAD.

If you have a relative or friend living abroad interested in IRISH RACING, HUNTING, COURSING, RUGBY, HOCKEY, GOLF, or KENNEL matters he will appreciate a copy of "THE IRISH FIELD," which will be sent throughout the year, for the sum of 13/- (postage included), half-year 6/6, quarter 3/3. Head Office—11 D'Olier Street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

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LACROSSE

NARROW VICTORY FOR VETERANS

YOUTHS PLAY WELL UNDER HANDICAP

VETERANS	9	YOUTHS	8

Once again it proved impossible to turn out a representative Veterans team against the Youths at Clarinda Park yesterday, but the teams which actually turned out had a very close and enjoyable game, the Veterans winning 9-8. The Youths were one short all through, and this makes a vast difference as increase, in which the marking has to be very close. In the circumstances the Youths did very well to run their opponents so close, Miss S. Dunlop almost succeeding in doing the work of two men. Miss P. Graham did excellent work in defence, while Miss Causer, Miss Payne and Miss Colville were dangerous in attack.

The feature of the Veterans' team was the clever work of Mrs. Gamble, the hockey international, who played lacrosse at school in England. She showed little sign of her long absence from it yesterday, except in her shooting, which was inaccurate, but her passing and taking of passes were excellent. She, Miss Campbell, the Irish goalkeeper, who is very good out in the field, and Mrs. Millar were outstanding on the Youths' team, who led 4-3 at the interval.

The scorers were Miss Campbell (4), Mrs. Famble (2), Misses Huet, Thompson and Mrs. Farringdon one each for Veterans, while for Youths the goalgetters were Misses J. Lombard (3), Causer (2), Stokes, Colvill and Payne. Teams:—

Veterans—Misses P. Lefroy; L. Lombard, Mrs. Millar, Miss J. Barlee, Mrs. McMullen, Misses R. Pearson, M. Campbell, Mrs. Gamble, Miss J. Huet, Mrs. Farringdon, Miss J. Thompson.

Youths—Misses M. L. Jones; P. Graham, M. Jones, S. Barrett, S. Dunlop, L. Causer, S. Colville, J. Lombard, N. Payne, M. Stokes.

CYCLING

IRISH ROAD CLUB

GENERAL MEETING OF DUBLIN CENTRE

The annual general meeting of the Dublin Centre of the Irish Road Club was held last evening at the Red Bank Restaurant, under the chairmanship of the president, Mr. B. J. Hunter. A considerable amount of the time of the meeting was occupied in a discussion of the relations with the Belfast Centre of the club, and it was agreed that the new committee should make an endeavour to arrange for the holding of a conference with the Belfast Centre.

The reports of the hon. secretary, the racing secretary, and the treasurer were adopted, and the following officers were elected:—

President—W. J. Flinn. Vice-Presidents—R. J. Hunter and R. L. Chapman. Secretary—M. J. Keogh. Racing Secretary—H. G. Wheeler. Treasurer—H. J. Quinn.

It was decided to adopt the recommendation of the outgoing committee to confine the racing programme of the coming season to four events—a fifty, a hundred, a 12 hours, and a place-to-place race for the Veteran Memorial.

The meeting discussed at length the relations of the club with the governing bodies of the sport, and in the end a resolution was passed appointing delegates to interview the Council of the National Cycling Association for the purpose of securing an agreement on a broad basis.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

MIDLANDS TEAM TO MEET BARBARIANS

Midlands will be represented by the following team, in their match against the Barbarians at Leicester on January 20 in aid of the Army Recreation Fund:—H. Pateman (Coventry); F. V. J. Lyttle (Bedford), L. Walshe (Bedford), R. Kenson (Coventry), F. Edwards (Leicester); G. S. Sherridge (Northampton), J. Parsons (Leicester); R. H. Longland (Northampton), W. J. McMaster (Bedford), C. T. Dunlop (Bedford), F. Whateley (Coventry), P. F. Bates (Rugby), T. Berry (Leicester), G. V. Bevan (Bedford), M. M. Henderson (Leicester).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE

Wanderers' Irish Schoolboys v. Wanderers' Other Schoolboys, Lansdowne road, 2.45.

TRIALS.

Wanderers' Other Schools—L. Starkie (Ampleforth), E. B. Cole (Trent College), J. A. Gregory (Rydal), D. J. Mooney (Sedbergh), G. Evans (Sedbergh), Ryan Cory Augustus, T. O'Hare (Ampleforth); J. P. Comyn (Gratry), P. Doran (Avoncroft), D. W. Fitzmaurice (Pupil of Mr. Hodder), C. Hodder (Trent College), M. Kay (Wigan), T. Lewis-Crosby (Harrow), M. Kay O'Driscoll (Ampleforth), R. V. O'Driscoll (Ampleforth).

Wanderers' Irish Schools—H. S. Wiles (Kilkenny College), R. S. Allen (King's Hospital), F. M. Rainsford (St. Gerard's), D. O'Reilly (Sandford Park), C. Chamberlain, G. Jermyn (St. Andrew's), H. Higgins (Clongowes), C. Allen (Mountjoy), M. Callaghan (Charleford House), S. Cox (Sandford Park), M. Gaw (Mountjoy), A. Hamilton (St. Andrews), (capt.) B. Satchwell (Galway Grammar), D. Vance (Portora), A. White (High School).

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES

KICK-OFF, 2.45.

Ulster v. Leinster, Ravenhill, Belfast.
Old Belvedere v. Dublin University, Jones's road.
Blackrock College v. Cork Constitution, Williamstown.
Clontarf v. Malone, Castle avenue.
Wanderers v. U.C.D., Lansdowne road.
Wesley College v. Sective Rangers, Donnybrook.
University College, Cork, v. Landsdowne, Cork.
Bohemians v. Monkstown, Limerick.
Lansdowne "A" v. R.S.F.U., Lansdowne road.

FIXTURES WANTED

Athy Rugby Club require fixtures, either at home or away, with Senior "A," 2nd XV or junior team, for Saturdays January 20th, February 10th and February 17th. Reply to A. T. Morris, 2 Duke street, Athy.

RUGBY.—Ulster v. Leinster Match fully discussed; Reports of all Important Matches. See To-morrow's Issue of "THE IRISH FIELD."—(Advt.)

GOLF

CLUB NOTICES

CASTLE.

To-morrow—Scotch Foursome.

CO. KILDARE.

Ladies' Branch—Monthly medal. Mrs. Sargent (94), 36-41 best net. Miss Gilvary, L.L.S.G. (94), 36-39 best on 3 days' aggregate 303.

KILCRONEY.

Ladies' Branch—To-day, Nine-hole, foursome, 3-sup. One draw at 10.30.

RATHFARNHAM.

Ladies' Branch—January medal—Class A—Mrs. Gordon, 2 down. Class B—Mrs. Millard, 6 down. Tuesday next, 16th—Postponed December seven-point foursomes.

WOODBROOK.

Ladies' Branch.—January medal, Tuesday next, 16th inst., 12 holes. Arrange opponents. December medal, Tuesday, 23rd, 12 holes. Arrange opponents. Committee meeting in clubhouse on Tuesday, January 23rd, at 5 o'clock. Club foursome has been postponed to January 28th. Members are requested to put their names on notice board before Friday, 26th January.

THE ISLAND.

Ladies' Branch—December medal: Mrs. Walker (19), 79. Qualified—Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Fitzgibbon.

ELM PARK.

Ladies' Branch—Monthly medal. Class I.: Mrs. P. Duffy (10), 40. Class II.: Mrs. J. McConnell (17), 38.

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Mr. J. Stapleton, Secretary, presided, and on the motion of Mr. J. Hurley a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.

Future lectures will be given by Professor Sean Keating, R.H.A.; Professor Romein and Mr. George Atkinson, R.H.A.

RATHMINES CHILD WELFARE

CINEMA ENTERTAINMENT

Over one thousand children and five hundred mothers were entertained to a full programme of motion pictures at the Stella Cinema, Rathmines road, yesterday afternoon. The performance—an annual affair—was under the egis of the Rathmines Sub-Committee of the City of Dublin Child Welfare Movement, and children were present from Rathmines, Rathfarnham, Cashel Road, Milltown, Ranelagh, Clonskeagh, etc. A special feature of the entertainment was a draw for seventy-six prizes, of cash, coal, clothing, foodstuffs, etc., which had been generously contributed by the business people and traders of Rathmines. The draw took place in the office of

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Do. (under £300) .....(100¼) 100¼
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IRISH BANKS' RATE.
Irish Banks' Rate (changed October 26, 1939) ..... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred 3 %
Deposits under £2,000 ..... 1 %
Deposits of £2,000 and over ..... 1½ %
The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

BELFAST EXCHANGE

3½ per Cent. War Loan, 96⅞, 96⅞; Guaranteed 4½ per Cent. Bonds, 108; India 3½ per Cent., 85; Belfast Corporation 3½ per Cent. 1942, 98; York Street Flax Ord., 8a. 3d.; Robinson and Cleaver Pref., 17s. 10½d.; Imperial Chemical Ord., 30s.; White Tomkins Ord. offered at 32s.

CORK EXCHANGE

Third National Loan repeated 103; Financial Agreement Loan steady, 93½; 4 per Cent. Conversion moved up to 99¼; 4 per Cent. Exchequer Bonds (fully paid) marked 99⅜ and 99½; 4½ per Cent. Land Bonds done at 108¾; 4 per Cent. Land Bonds hardened to 95½; War Loan weaker, 96½; National Banks unaltered, 41s.; Provincials brought 38s. ex div.; Great Southern Deb. remained at 51; Alliance and Dublin Gas Ord. further appreciated to 24s. 6d.; Clondalkin Paper Ord. buyers, 5s.; Ever Ready (Ireland) Ord. buyers, 8s.; Guinness Ord. dropped to 77s.; Independent "B" Ord. advanced to 37s. 9d.; Irish Cinemas Pref. improved to 12s.

MOTORS AND TEXTILES

BIRMINGHAM FLAT

Motors flat. Austins, Morris, Standards and Lavinads all lower. Fords good. Hudsons rose to 41/-.

Alvis	2/4½	Lucas	54/6
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Coats	33/-34/-	Turner and Newall	63/6-64/-
Courtaulds	36/6-37/-		
Dunlops	29/5-29/9	Wall Paper Def.	17/-18/-

INSURANCE SHARES

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance, 20½, 21; Atlas, 11½, 12; Caledonian, 4, 4½; £11 10/9; Commercial Union, 7½, 7¾, 7¾, 7¾, 7½; Eagle Star Ord., 6⅝; Employers', 68/3; Guardian, 11¼, 11½; London and Lancashire Fire, 24½, 25; London Assurance, 12½; North British and Mercantile, 9½; Northern, 15½; Phoenix (£ fin.), 13½; Prudential, 24½, 25, 25⅛; Royal Exchange, 7¾; Royal Insurance, 7¾; Sun Insurance, 71/-.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Atlas, 226/9; Commercial Union, 75½; Liverpool & L.C. Thames, 89; Royal, 71⅞.

COMPANY NOTICE.

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Miss Jellett reviewed the progress of artistic expression since Cezanne, Van Gogh and Matisse.

Mr. J. Stapleton, Secretary, presided, and on the motion of Mr. J. Hurley a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.

Future lectures will be given by Professor Dan Keating, R.H.A.; Professor Romein and Mr. George Atkinson, R.H.A.

RATHMINES CHILD WELFARE

CINEMA ENTERTAINMENT

Over one thousand children and five hundred mothers were entertained to a full programme of motion pictures at the Stella Cinema, Rathmines road, yesterday afternoon. The performance—an annual affair—was held under the ægis of the Rathmines Sub-Committee of the City of Dublin Child Welfare Scheme, and children were present from Dundrum, Rathfarnham, Cashel Road, Milltown, Ranelagh, Clonskeagh, etc. A special feature of the entertainment was a draw for forty-six prizes, of cash, coal, clothing, footstuffs etc., which had been generously contributed by the business people and traders of Rathmines. The draw took place in the absence of Mr. V. Kinsella, Manager of the Stella.

At the close of the entertainment packets of sweets were presented to all the children present.

The sub-committee in charge of the function was—Dr. Kathleen Lynn, Chairman; Mrs. Cosgrave, James Gogan, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Lemass, Miss Brench-Mullen, Mr. T. Mahon, Councillor Mrs. Mulvey, Mr. Hogan, Mrs. White, Captain J. Doyle and Mrs. Godwin (Secretary). Visiting Nurses Carthy, Cruise, McConville and Lysaght were also present.

IRELAND FOR HOLIDAYS

Perhaps, one of the good fortunes of war is that the desire to see our own country will be assessed by the necessity of the times," Mr. D. L. Kelleher, in the course of a lecture on "Ireland for the War-time Holiday," at a meeting of the Clontarf Catholic Literary Society last night. Mr. Kelleher, who was the manager of the London Office of the Irish Tourist Association until it was closed on the outbreak of war, said that, although Ireland might seem circumscribed as far as travel was concerned, a sixpenny tram ride from Dublin to Howth would confront the visitor with an Irish landscape—the Vice-regal road; and this landscape could be multiplied throughout Ireland. The new legislation embodying powers with pay ensured a big future for the development of Irish travel for the Irish. Mr. Paul Callan, Auditor of the Society, introduced the speaker, and a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. J. Donovan, and seconded by Mr. J. P. Meary. Mr. D. P. Meagher presided.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

GILT-EDGED RISE RESUMED

Trading on the London Stock markets generally remained slow yesterday, but a distinctly firmer tone appeared in several directions, and a feature of particular interest was the return to prominence of Gilt-edged Securities after their two days' rest. British Rails also forced themselves into the limelight, some of the junior stocks establishing substantial gains on hopes that the compensation terms will be made known in the not distant future. Other sections experienced little activity, but, after early hesitancy due to profit-taking, Kaffirs attracted a fair amount of attention and finally presented several bright spots, outstanding among them being a fresh improvement in West Wits.

WAR LOAN PROMINENT

The revival of investment inquiry for Gilt-edged stocks did not bring any marked liveliness to the market, but the supply of floating stock was small, and consequently the slightest suggestion of support sufficed to raise quotations. War Loan led the advance, and finally was ⅞ higher at 96⅜, whilst Conversion 3½ per cent. Old Consols and Local Loans also registered good rises. Free State 4½ per cent. Land Bonds continued to make progress, and firmness spread to India stocks and several Dominion and Colonial issues.

In the Foreign section, Far Easterns quietened down, and in some cases became weak on profit-taking. Chinese 4½ per cent. 1898 losing 1½ to 61. European Bonds formed another subdued group, with Czech 8 per cent. declining further to 51, but some relief was supplied by a continuance of support for Brazilians, which concluded with rises ranging up to ½.

British Rails had their best session for some time past, the market staging a sharp recovery for the reason mentioned above. Great Western Ord. attracted sustained demand and advanced rapidly, to close 1½ better at 37½, whilst L.M.S. put on ¼ to 13½. A fair business was also effected in Southern issues, and here again prices went ahead. Foreign Rails were still out of favour, and Colonials tended to sag under the lead of Canadas, which reacted to 7½.

SELLERS PREDOMINATE

Industrial business remained at a low point, and, with sellers predominating, several sections took on a dull appearance. Breweries suffered further reverses, and recently favoured issues, such as Textiles and Aircrafts, showed numerous declines. Iron and Steel and Rayon shares also were pointed downwards, and dullness was noticeable in one or two Tobaccos. A firm exception was provided by Woolworth Ord., which improved following the announcement of record profits and the maintenance of the distribution.

Mines began irregularly, with Kaffirs overshadowed by speculative sales, but in subsequent trading the atmosphere brightened, and the non-producers recovered smartly under the lead of West Wits, to finish on a firm note. West African and Rhodesian issues showed only a few narrow movements, and little of importance transpired among Tin shares.

Oils were mainly easier, but the market was notable for a further strong advance in Phœnix £1 units, due to the rise in Rumanian oil prices.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

L.M.S. PAYMENT DATE

Dividend decisions in respect of 1939 will be made by the Board of the London Midland and Scottish Railway on February 22. The annual meeting will be held on March 15.

AUSTRALIAN BANK'S PROFIT

Net profits of the Union Bank of Australia were £225,087, compared with £244,183 in the previous twelve months. In each case the figure is struck after appropriations to contingency accounts, out of which accounts provision has been made for bad and doubtful debts and other contingencies. As announced on Wednesday, the year's dividend is maintained at 7 per cent., less tax, with a final of 4 per cent., less tax. The carry forward is virtually unchanged at £157,350, compared with £157,264.

A. Millar and Co.—Report for the year ended October 31, 1939, which was adopted at yesterday's annual meeting, an account of which appears in this issue, showed a net profit of £5,590 (against £5,387). The Preference dividend absorbed £2,237, and the Ordinary dividend of 4 per cent., less tax (same), £2,900. Provision for increased income tax is £500, leaving £6,700 to be carried forward, against £6,747 brought in.

African Consolidated Investments.—Gross income £205,843 (against £213,169), and working profit £162,482 (against £160,837); Debenture interest £151,752 (against £102,102), fees £6,000 (same), sinking fund £19,828 (against £16,448).

Ampat (Sumatra) Rubber.—Dividend 2½ per cent. (against 4 per cent.). Net profit, £9,686 (against £10,054); to depreciation reserve, £1,300 (against £2,000 to general reserve); to estates reserve, £3,000 (against £2,000). Forward, £5,321 (against £2,966).

Chambong Malay Rubber.—Interim of 2 per cent. (against nil).

Consolidated Tin Smelters.—Interim 3½ per cent., less tax, on 7 per cent. Non-Cumulative Preference.

Canadian Industries.—Dividend of 1¾ per cent. on 7 per cent. Cumulative Preferred for quarter ended December 31, 1939.

Capital and Provincial News Theatres.—Trading profit £15,142 and net profit £7,184, less tax £4,000, leaving £3,184, which reduces the debit balance to £15,984.

Consolidated Tin Mines of Burma.—Arrangements have been concluded since the close of the financial year for the sale to the British Government of the company's entire production of wolfram concentrates. French consumers are participating in these arrangements. As already announced, a dividend of 20 per cent. is to be paid on the reduced capital, £318,086 (10/- paid), on 5/- shares, against 5 per cent. on the old capital, £846,335, in £1 shares. Profit is £48,974, compared with £59,222.

Dahan Rubber Estates (1933).—Six months' interest on 7 per cent. Convertible and Redeemable Debenture Stock for period ended November 30, 1939, will be paid on January 31.

Engineering and Lighting Equipment.—Maiden interim dividend of 6 per cent. on the Ordinary Shares.

Engineering and Lighting Equipment Co.—Interim dividend of 6 per cent., less tax, on the Ord. This is the first interim to be paid by the company.

English China Clays.—Dividend payable on February 1 on 7 per cent. Preference for half-year ended December 31, 1939, less tax.

F. W. Woolworth and Co.—Net profits have risen again from £6,961,141 to the high record of £7,612,601. A final dividend of 35 per cent. and a cash bonus of 15 per cent. are recommended, maintaining the year's total payment at 65 per cent. A sum of £2,950,737 is provided for tax to date, while freehold buildings reserve receives £101,079, and staff fund £10,000. The carry forward will be £1,000,000 higher at £6,471,117.

Gloucester Railway Carriage and Wagon.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent., less tax (same).

Hampstead Gallery.—Trading account £56,302 (against £16,314), to sinking fund £8,800 (against £8,680), plant written off £400, taxation £15,350. Dividend 4 per cent. (same). Forward £14,068 (against £5,052).

Indian Copper.—Interim of 4 per cent. (against nil).

J. and E. Hall.—Dividend of 2½ per cent., less tax, on the Ordinary shares (against 10 per cent.). Net profit was £59,936 (against £69,880), and the carry-forward £39,447 (£36,901). The 1938 profit figure is before charging £11,000, the 1939 figure, before £12,000 for income tax.

London County Freehold and Leasehold Properties.—Usual interim of 2 per cent. Last year there were three interims of 2 per cent. each, a final of 4 per cent., and a bonus of 1 per cent.

Langen (Java) Rubber Estates (1934).—Dividend of 4 per cent. (6 per cent.). Profits were nearly halved the past year's total of £4,666, comparing with £8,624 in the previous year.

Liebigs Extract of Meat Co.—Final Ord. dividend of 7 per cent., tax free, making 11 per cent., tax free, for the year (same).

London County Freehold and Leasehold Properties.—Interim maintained at 2 per cent.

Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company.—Net profit was £161,189 (against £130,830); distribution is maintained at 7½ per cent.

N.Z. and River Plate Land Mortgage.—Dividend for year 4 per cent. (against 3½ per cent.), subject to tax and transfer of £8,000 (same) to reserve.

Queensland National Bank.—Interim of 2½ per cent., free of Queensland tax (against 2½ per cent.).

Sendayan (F.M.S.) Rubber.—Dividend 2½ per cent. (against 6 per cent.); net profit, £14,744 (against £25,385); to estates reserve, £5,000 (against £10,000); to tax reserve, £3,050 (against £850 for N.D.C.). Forward, £11,994 (against £13,947).

Sungei Buaya (Sumatra) Rubber.—Dividend on Ordinary 2½ per cent. (against 5 per cent.). Net profit, £16,745 (against £24,533); to depreciation reserve £5,000 (against £3,000); to estates reserve, £5,000 (against £3,000). Forward, £10,493.

Tilling and British Automobile Traction.—Final Ordinary dividend of 4 per cent., tax free, making 8 per cent., tax free, for 1939. The year ended with 9 per cent., tax free, for 1938. The 5 per cent. Cumulative Preference receive a total of 10 per cent. for the year. After providing for taxation, net profits last year were down from £511,587 to £480,441.

Trengganu and Dataran Bay Investment Co.—Net profit, £121,089 (£120,895). As already announced, the year's dividend is maintained at 32½ per cent., free of South African Ord. income tax, with a final of 20 per cent. A transfer of £15,000 is again made to reserve, which brings this fund up to £270,000. The carry-forward is increased from £189,543 to £208,445.

Wright's Biscuits.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent. (same).

W. Barratt and Co.—Interim maintained at 4½ per cent.

Westley Sanders and Co.—Dividend of 6 per cent. for the year (against 5 per cent.).

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Thursday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:
London good.
Dublin firm in places.
Manchester easier.
Birmingham flat.
New York heavy.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2 %
Last Year	2 %
Irish Bank Rate	3 %
London Three Months' Bills	1-⅛ %
Silver (spot)	22d.
Price of Gold	168/-

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET

DULL, WITH A FEW EXCEPTIONS

With a few exceptions, the Industrial Market again presented a rather dull appearance. Most of the interest centred around Woolworths, which finished 1s. to the good on the excellent preliminary profit figures and maintenance of the distributions. Other sections were still inclined to go cautiously, and slight declines were recorded.

Electricals received moderate support in places, as did Tobaccos, but Breweries continued on offer, while Sudans were a rather weak spot in the Land group.

Transatlantics had an uncertain appearance, but Cable and Wireless issues further improved, the Preference to 96½, and the Ordinary to 57½. Iron and Steel shares showed little variation, being slightly easier where changed. Powell Duffryn were a firm spot in the Colliery section, the price improving 4½d. to 19s. 1½d.

WOOLWORTHS RISE

Woolworths, following the good preliminary figures, finished 1s. up at 65s. The best spots in the Provision and Catering section were provided by Manbre and Garton and Schweppes Deferred, which improved to 64s. and 1½, respectively.

Breweries generally continued on the down grade, Guinness closing 1s. 6d. lower at 77s., and Ind. Coope falling 1s. to 73s. As regards Tobaccos, Carreras "A" further advanced to 5½, while "Bats" were the turn higher at 4¾, but "Imps." lost the turn at 5⅛.

In the Miscellaneous list, "Emmies," Dunlops, Boots, and Turner and Newalls, all receded to the extent of a few pence

RUMANIAN OIL SHARES SHOW STRENGTH

Apart from continued strength in Rumanian issues, the Oil Share market remained uninteresting, general business being once more on an extremely small scale, and price changes mostly adverse. Not only was there little doing locally, but Continental operators were doing little in their favourites, apart from being buyers in a small way of Royal Dutch.

The strength of Rumanian shares was attributed to a report that payment for Rumanian oil, formerly on a sterling basis, is now on a dollar basis. Bidding for Phœnix raised the price a further 2s. 9d. to 9s., and Steaua Romana (British) gained another 9d. at 5s. 6d. At the close little change was shown by the leaders.

RUBBERS STEADY

Conditions in the Rubber Share market yesterday were scarcely distinguishable from those of the preceding days of the week. Business remained on a small and disappointing scale, and most issues were neither bested nor changed. The firmness displayed by the commodity during the past few days failed to bring any broadening of interest, demand involving only small lines of a limited number of issues. A few issues came on offer, but the stock was usually quite well absorbed.

THE MONEY MARKET

BANKS BUY BILLS

Gold remained at 168s. per fine ounce yesterday. Money market conditions showed little change. Money movements for tax purposes continued, but banks were buying three months' bills again at 1-⅛ per cent.

Silver rose to 22d. ounce, cash by ½d. and forward by ⅜d.

Sterling in New York opened a shade above the overnight close at $3.95⅝. Dutch and Belgian currencies were again very firm. In London some of the "free market" rates were adjusted against sterling. For example, the lira receded ½ to 77⅜ and the yen ⅛d. to 14-⅞d. The Shanghai dollar further advanced to 5d. Hungarian currency, on the other hand, declined sharply from 20 to 22, sellers.

Centre	January 11 Closing Rates	January 10 Closing Rates	Parity before 3/9/39
New York	4.02½	4.03½	4.02½ 4.03½	4.86⅝
Montreal	4.43	4.47	4.43 4.47	4.86⅝
Amsterdam	7.52	7.57	7.52 7.57	12.10
Brussels	23.85	24.00	23.85 24.00	35.00
Copenhagen	20¼	20⅜	20¼ 20⅜	18.15
Geneva	17.05	17.05	17.05 17.05	25.22
Madrid	37⅛ sellers		39¼ sellers	25.22
Milan	77	78½	77 79	92.46
Oslo	17.65	17.75	17.65 17.75	18.15
Paris	176½	176¼	176½ 176¼	124.26
Stockholm	16.85	16.95	16.85 16.95	18.15
Alexandria	97⅝	97⅞	97 97⅝	97.5
Athens	535 sellers		535 sellers	375
Helsingfors	225 sellers		225 sellers	199.2
Lisbon	107½	108½	107½ 108½	110
S. Ayres	17.78	18.00	17.78 18.00	47.577
Uruguay	19½	21½	19½ 21½	47.39
Montevideo	21½	23	21½ 23	51⅛
Rio de Janeiro	3½ sellers		3⅝ sellers	5.89
Valparaiso	110 sellers		110 sellers	409
Calcutta	17½	18⅛	17½ 18⅛	18
Hongkong	14½	15½	14½ 15½	—
Kobe	14½	14⅝	14½ 14⅝	42
Shanghai	4½	5½	4½ 5½	28d.
Singapore	28⅛	28⅜	28⅛ 28⅜	28d.

* Rates fixed by Bank of England. All others are free market rates.

TO EXPLOIT POLISH OILFIELDS

TWO GERMAN COMPANIES FORMED

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

BERLIN, Thursday.

Two German companies have been formed for the exploitation of the Polish oilfields. The official German News Agency says:—

"The oil deposits in occupied South Poland have been thoroughly examined by German experts. They found that the technical equipment which was used hitherto was very antiquated compared, for instance, with that used in the oilfields near Hanover. The newly-formed companies will equip the fields quickly with the most up-to-date drilling plants. The experts expect then a 100 per cent. increase in output."

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum. div. ‖ Ex bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing		Rise or Fall
Consols 2½%	71¼	71⅝	+ ⅜
Do. 4%	106⅛	106⅝	+ ⅛
3½% War Loan	96⅛	96⅜	+ ⅜
Funding Loan	109⅛	109¼	+ ⅛
Victory Bonds	108⅝	109⅛	+ ⅛
3% Conversion Loan	99⅝	99⅞	+ ⅛
3½% do.	97¼	97½	+ ⅛
4½% do.	101⅛	101⅝	+ ⅛
5% do.	109⅞	110¼	+ ⅜
2¾% Land (1903)	77	79	
I.F.S. 4½% Land Bonds	108	110	+ ⅛
India 3%	78½	78⅝	+ ⅛
Do. 3½%	85⅞	87¼	+ ⅜
Local Loans	83¾	83⅝	+ ⅛

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS

Australia 5% 1945-75	104	105	+ ½
Canada 4% 1940-60	101½	102	
New Zealand 3% 1950-55	84	85	
Queensland 5% 1940-60	101½	102½	
S. African 3% 1954-64	90	91	
S. Australian 5% 1945-75	103¾	104¾	+ ⅛
Victoria 4% 1940-60	98	99	+ ⅛
W. Australian 5% 1945-75	103¼	104¼	+ ⅛

FOREIGN STOCKS

Aug 31.			
10½	Braz. 4½% S.B. 27	15⅛	+ ⅛
15	Do. 5% Fund. 98	57	+ ⅛
50	Chinese 4½% '98	61	+1½
21	Do. 5% 1913	30	
52	Czecho-Slov. Bds.	51	— ½
65	Egyptian Unified	75 80	
10¾	French Ln. 4%	101½	
27½	German 7%	4 7	
39	Japan 6% 1924	89½	

BRITISH RAILS.

26	Great Western	36⅜	37¾	+ 1½
90	Do. 5% Pref.	89	91	
11½	L.M.S. Ord.	13¼	14¼	+ ½
4	L.N.E. 5% Pf.Ord.	3½	4¼	
2	Do. Def. Ord.	2	2½	— ⅛
107	Lon.Tran. 5% "A"	110	113	
56	Southern Pf. Ord.	65	67	+ ½
11¼	Do. Def. Ord.	13	14	+ ¼

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS

32	Arg. Gt. W. 5% Db.	37½	39½	— ½
50½	B.A. Mid. 4% Deb.	56	60	
61	Buenos Ayres G.S.	7¼	9½	
49	Do. 4% Deb.	55	57	— ½
58½	B.A. & Pac. 4% Db.	61	63	
29	Do. Con. 4½% Db.	34½	36½	— ½
5¼	Buenos A. & West	6	7	
40½	Do. 4% Deb.	50½	52½	
4	Canadian Pacific	7¼	7⅝	— ¼
62½	Do. 4% Deb.	77	80	
49	Cent. Arg. 4% Deb	55	57	—1
50	Do. 5% Db. 79-81	64	66	
58½	Cord.Cen. 1st Deb.	66	68	
89	Gd. Tr'k 4% Guar.	96	100	
21½	San Paulo Ord.	37	39	

BANKS.

Bank of England	324	329	
Bank of Montreal	43½	48½	
Barclay "A"	9⅛	9⅝	
Lloyds	49	51⅜	+0/9
Martins £20 (£2½ paid)	7⅜	7⅝	
Midland	8½	8¾	
Nat. Prov. (£5 14/- pd.)	3	3⅛	
Standard of South Africa	12⅜	12¾	
Westminster	7	7¼	
Do. £4 (£1 paid)	75/6	78/0	

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

6⅛	Bass-Ratcliff Ord.	111/0	113/0	
17/0	Brewers of Van...	17/6	18/6	
93/0	Distillers Ord.	66/9	67/0	—1/6
93/9	Guinness Ord.	76/9	78/0	—1/0
4⅜	Ind Coope Allsopp	72/0	74/0	
50/0	Watney Combe Df.	51/0	53/0	

DRAPERY AND STORES.

11/6	Burton (M.)	15⅜	15⅞	
16/6	Gamage (A. W.)	14/3	15/3	—0/3
51/0	Harrods	40/0	41/0	
29/9	Marks & Spcr. (5/-)	52/0	53/0	
21/3	O.K. Bazaars "A"	21/3	23/9	
62/6	Woolworth Ord.	62/6	63/6	+1/0

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENTS.

39/0	Assoc. El. Indus.	37/6	38/6	
17/9	Crompton Park.	17/3	18/3	
18/0	Ever Ready (5/-)	26/6	27/6	
75.0	General Electric.	74/3	75/3	
18/0	Henley's Tel. (5/-)	18/6	19/6	+0/6
21/6	Siemens	19/6	20/6	

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

29/6	City of London	25/6	27/6	
39/0	County of London	34/0	36/0	
22/0	Edmundsons	22/0	23/0	+0/3

INSURANCE.

22	Alliance New	19¼	20¾	
25	L. & Lan. Fire £5 (£2 paid)	23½	24½	
17⅞	Pearl (£1)	14⅞	14⅝	+ ⅜
12	Phœnix £10 (£1 p)	11¾	12¼	
31	Prudential	23¼	24¼	+ ¼
8	Royal Exchange	7½	8	
7⅝	Royal £1 (10/- p.)	7¼	7¾	
6¾	Sun £1 (5/- pd.)	6¼	6¾	

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

16/3	Allied Iron	21⅜	25⅜	
46/0	Babcock & Wilcox	42/6	43/6	
5/9	Baldwins	5/9	6/3	—0/1½
43/9	Bolsover Colliery	44/0	45/0	
28/0	Brown (J.) (10/-)	29/3	30/3	
26/6	B.S.A.	21/3	22/3	
7/0	Cammell L'rd (5/-)	7/6	8/0	
22 0½	Colville Ord. (£1)	21/6	22/6	
7/4	Consett Iron	7 9	8/9	
62/9	Cory (William)	60/6	61/6	
27/0	Dorman, Long	26/6	27.3	—0/3
66/3	Firth, Brown	64/0	65/6	
23/9	Guest, Keen	22/6	23/6	—0/3
25/0	Hadfields (10/-)	24/6	26/0	
10/9	Pease & Partners	10/9	11/3	
16/0	Powell Duffryn	19/0	19/3	+0/4½
26/6	Ruston & Hornsby	28/9	29/9	
30/6	S. Durham Steel	33/3	34/3	
42/9	Stewts&Lloyds Df.	42/3	43/6	
3/3	Thomas (E.)	3/6	4/0	
22/6½	United Steel	21/6	22/6	
17/4	Vickers Ord.	17/6	18/3	

LAND AND INVESTMENT

Aug. 31.				
15/6	Forestal Land	22/6	23/6	
17/6	Hudson's Bay	25/0	26/0	
23/3	Sudan Plantations	32/0	33/0	—1/6

MOTORS AND AEROPLANES

1⅞	Austin Motor (5/-)	15/8	16/3	
5/6	Boulton & Paul	5/-	5/6	—0/6
16/6	Bristol Aero (10/-)	15/0	16/0	+0/6
36/0	De Havilland	30/6	32/6	
18/9	Fairey Aviation	16/0	17/0	
16/6	Ford Motors	15/3	16/3	+0/3
1⅞	Handley Page Pf.	1½	1⅝	
15/6	Hawker Sidd. (5/-)	14/6	15/6	
32/0	Imperial Airways	33/3	34/0	
4⅞	Leyland Motors	3½	3½	
30/6	Morris Motors	23/0	24/0	—0/6
5½	Rolls Royce

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FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

CATTLE.

DUBLIN (METROPOLITAN).

	Numbers on sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of	
			1939.	1938.
Beasts	3,240—decrease	98	2,915	3,539
Sheep	5,577—increase	489	5,778	5,932
Veal calves ...	1—decrease	19	3	6

As compared with last week's gathering, there were close on a hundred less cattle to deal with here this morning. In point of quality, the display for a good average winter market was tolerably satisfactory all round, and, although real tip-toppers or fancy beeves formed a minor percentage of entrants, there was a sufficiency of suitably meated and quality grades to cover the main requirements of both home and export trade. There was a full attendance of home and export buyers, and a healthier tone in trade, with prices showing a hardening tendency. Sales for prime heavy bullocks proved active, with perhaps more frequent repetitions of 51s. and 52s. per cwt. in top zone, while the secondary classes met a good steady inquiry throughout. Suitable heifers came in for better support, and in most instances made more money; in fact, market generally proved a good selling one and cleared early in sellers' favour at: Best bullocks, 48s. to 49s. 6d.; extra, 50s. to 52s.; heifers, 46s. 6d. to 49s. and 50s.; secondary sorts, 44s 6d. to 46s.; rougher, 41s. 6d. to 43s. 6d. per cwt. As compared with corresponding market last year, prices show an advance of roughly 8s. 6d. to 12s. and 15s. per cwt. dearer on same period 1938. In the beef cow section, supplies were up to average, and a steady inquiry was experienced for all classes, but more especially the younger types, which readily repeated previous full terms. Secondary and thinner sorts shared in the healthy tone of market, which closed with an early sell up at: Best young cows, 36s. to 38s.; extra, 39s. to 40s.; seconds, 27s. to 33s.; aged, etc., 20s. to 26s.; and bulls, 30s. to 40s. per cwt., according to class. As compared with corresponding market last year, beef cows show an advance of 5s. to 10s. and 7s. to 18s. per cwt. dearer on same period 1938.

SHEEP.

There was another large increase in supplies here this week, without any improvement in quality; in fact, the show in point of condition was not up to previous standard. Although it has been difficult to see any actual change in the value of mutton from week to week, there is little doubt that prices on certain classes of sheep have been climbing into a dearer zone, especially those suitable killing well. Really nice hoggets and wethers, being scarce, command keener patronage and quicker sale. Suitable ewes also well placed, but anything short of condition proved much more difficult to find buyers for. Shippers were more cautious in their selections this week, as requirements appeared to be less. Prime mutton, 9½d. to 10½d.; extra, 11d.; other classes, 6½d. to 8¾d. per lb.

DAIRY CATTLE.

	Numbers on sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of	
			1939.	1938.
Beasts	304—decrease	21	417	194

Supplies not so heavy as last week. There was a fairly good attendance of buyers in home and shipping interests, and a steady sale for fair and promising types of fresh stockers at previous full terms. In dealing with ordinary and doubtful descriptions buyers showed a more reserved attitude, and sales dragged into a late hour, when a clearance seemed doubtful. Best cows and heifers, £24 to £27; extra, £28 to £30; seconds, £20 to £22 10s.; others, £14 10s. to £18 per head.

PIGS.

	Numbers on sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of	
			1939.	1938.
Pigs	1,000—decrease	237	1,309	1,075

Supplies not so freely offering, with most arrivals showing fairly useful quality. Buyers were again in full attendance, and, with less numbers marketed, competition proved fairly strong for nice porkers and suitable bacon pigs. Trade for the heavier classes was declined to drag, but market in the main closed satisfactorily, with prices firm to dearer at: Prime light to medium-weight hogs, 96s. to 98s. and 100s.; heavier classes, 86s. to 90s.; sows, 68s. to 70s. per cwt.; slips and bonhams, 42s. to 50s.; extra strong, 58s. to 64s. per head.

YORK.—Many beasts over from last week were generally useful coloured polleds, with a few black polled. Poor attendance and trade slow. Farmers will not buy through difficulty of obtaining food; £21 for three-year-old bullocks, heifers £17, bulling heifers £14 10/-. No English stores; fair show of dairy cattle, prices keen. Few sheep; Masham hoggs 30/-.

BRISTOL.—There was quite a good attendance and a brighter market. More farmers were present, inclined to do business. There were 380 fresh Irish cattle and 40 English. A few choice beef animals, the best of which made 55/- per live hundredweight. A much better market for the good quality steers on offer, with a tendency for higher values. Three-year-olds made £19 to £21, two-year-olds £18 to £19, yearlings £15 to £18. All were cleared. Trade was not quite so brisk for stores, only the best being required at up to £25. Others £20 to £22.

BIRMINGHAM PIG.—Fair supplies under Ministry of Agriculture licences came to hand. A fair demand was reported, prices still being nominal and showing little change. Under the new Government live-stock control scheme on Monday next the market will not be a collecting centre for the present.

PIGS
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GRAIN.

THE BALTIC.—WHEAT—Market displayed a steadier tone on better Winnipeg advices and reports of a good trading in Manitoba grades on U.K. account. Quotations were mostly advanced by 3d. per quarter. The following are f.o.b. quotations:—No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Halifax) last half January 36/1½, last half February 36/3, No. 2 do. last half January 35/4½, last half February 35/6, No. 1 do. (Vancouver) January 30/1½. No. 2 do. 29/3, No. 3 do. 28/10½, No. 1 Canadian Western Red (Van.) January 27/1½, No. 2 do. 26/9, Australian (bulk) January, also February, 26/6 (bags), January, also February, 28/-, Rosafe (64lb.) January 28/- per 480lb. MAIZE quietly steady. Argentine Plate (Buenos Aires) January 20½, No. 2 yellow American (St. John) January 30/1½, ditto (Gull) 29/4½ per 480lb. BARLEY firmer. Plate 54-55 lbs. January-February 18/6, No. 1 Canadian feed (St. John) January 25/-, No. 2 Canadian Western ditto 26/3, No. 3 ditto 25/9 per 400lb. OATS maintained. Plate f.a.q. January-February 11/6, No. 2 Canadian Western St. John January 24/- per 320lb.

LIVERPOOL CORN.—The Port Area Grain Committee supply trade, in the absence of fixed rates, carriage and haulage charged by firms distributing. WHEAT scarce and held for 7/- per cwt. on farm. MAIZE—Allocations from recent arrivals still anxiously awaited by the trade; merchants' price to consumers £8 per ton. FLOUR meets a fair demand at 22/- for straight run delivered and Manitoba quoted 22/- to 24/- per sack. OATS easier at 14/- to 15/- per cwt. for English delivered, and No. 1 Canadian feed quoted £11 per ton. WHEATFEEDS difficult to find at 7/3 per cwt. for thirds and bran. Imported feeding Barley £8, and Maize Meal, home milled, £9 12/6 per ton. Wheat and Maize futures under control. OATS partially 6d. per qr. dearer owing to better American markets. No. 1 Manitoba Wheat 15th January quoted 30/4½, No. 2 29/7½, No. 1 Garnett 27/4½, No. 2 27/- per qr.

PROVISIONS.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Moderate supplies, with sales freer at previous full terms. York cabbage large 10/- to 12/- per dozen; small 5/- to 7/- and 8/- to 10/- to 17/-, small 5/- to 7/- load; swedes 1/- to 1/4, mangolds 1/3 per cwt., cauliflowers 4/- to 6/-, seconds 1/6 to 1/6; lettuce 6d. to 1/-, red cabbage 2/- doz., sprouts 6d. to 1/3, parsley 6d. chip, 1/6 to 2/6 bag; best 1/- to 1/6, leeks 1/6 to 2/6, carrots 1/6 to 2/- doz. bunches, 6/- to 12/- bag; parsnips 2/- to 4/-, mushrooms 1/9 to 2/- per lb. and apples 8/- to 14/- barrel.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Light supply, with demand steady at 4/6 to 5/6 per cwt.

DUBLIN FISH.—Supplies included 422 boxes from two trawlers, 3 packages salmon, 4 lots lobsters and a fair amount from country and local senders. Sales fairly well supported at:—Salmon 2/2 to 2/9, halibut 2/- to 2/1, turbot 1/5 to 1/10, brill 1/6 to 1/8, soles black large 2/8 to 3/-, slips 1/6 to 1/8 per lb.; cod 30/- to 70/-, whiting large 30/- to 40/-, small 4/- to 24/-; plaice 50/- to 150/-, white soles 30/- to 100/-, skate 20/- to 41/-, monks 26/- to 58/-, prawns 19/- to 27/-, hake 35/- to 93/-, conger eels 15/- to 26/-, and pollock 32/- to 35/- box.

CARDIFF.—Provision markets in and around Cardiff have been moderately active during the past week. Bacon allocations came to hand steadily, while butter was distributed on the ration basis. Wholesale control prices—BACON unchanged at 125/- for Irish prime and Danish per cwt. HAMS 12/- lower at 131/- per cwt. BUTTER—New Zealand and Danish 3/- lower at 150/- per cwt. EGGS—Eireann 6d. lower for cheapest and 3d. up for best at 16/6 to 19/6 per 120. POULTRY—Chickens 1d. to 2d. cheaper on the week at 1/- to 1/3, and hens 1d. lower at 7d. to 9d. per lb.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Soles 1/11, slips 1/7 to 1/9, turbot 1/3 to 1/8, brill 1/8 to 1/4 per lb., best plaice 16/- to 17/-, lemon soles 16/6, whitings 8/6, cod 12/6, codlings 11/-, roker 12/8, small haddocks 7/6, medium 9/-, gibbs 9/-, large dabs 16/-, small 8/-, dogfish 7/-, hake 14/- per stone.

BRISTOL.—The rationing scheme appears to be running smoothly, and the following prices are those at which the agents of the Ministry of Food are selling bacon and hams per cwt., carriage paid. On the occasion of a sale to a nominated wholesaler:—Wiltshire cut sides 125/-, three-quarter sides 137/-, spencers 123/-, middles 140/-, backs 164/-, streaks 93/-, clear bellies 100/-, gammons or hams green 131/-, smoked 142/-; fore-ends or square shoulders 93/-, collars, butts or cottage rolls 114/-, picnics (free of ration) 68/-; Ulster rolls (boneless), including long clears, green 139/-, smoked 150/-; Ayrshire rolls (boneless and skinless) in pairs 163/-, half-roll shoulder end 146/-, gigot end 181/-, middle 178/-, shoulder 153/-, gigot 184/- per cwt., and on the occasion of any other sale 12/- per cwt. additional. LARD Maximum standstill prices—Irish bladders, finest 46/- to 54/- per cwt. Maximum Prices Order for 46/8 per cwt., and retail 6d per lb. CHEESE—Maximum standstill prices—Canadian finest coloured and white (1939) 78/-, New Zealand coloured and white 75/-, and Australian and South African coloured and white 73/- per cwt. BUTTER—Maximum Prices Order (1940)—First-hand prices 143/- per cwt. ex store, wholesaler to retailer 150/- per cwt. delivered buyers' premises, and retail 1/7 per lb.

LIVERPOOL.—There was no change in this market yesterday for any commodity which remained under control at official rates. BACON and HAMS—There is a general, fair acceptance of supplies of bacon, which is being distributed on the rationing basis, so that next week's requirements will be provided for, but some of the wholesalers report more difficult disposal of hams and gammons. LARD continues nominal for American and Canadian refined, high c.i.f. rates precluding importations to relieve the situation. CHEESE in good demand, but supplies limited of New Zealand and Australian, while Canadian remains nominal and home-made scarce. BUTTER—Releases for the week move freely at control rates. EGGS generally firm at 19/6 to 23/- for Northern Irish, 16/6 to 19/6 Eire, 13/6 to 15/- Danish, 12/6 to 14/9 Australian, and 11/- to 12/6 per 120 South American. Prices to be charged:—BACON—To wholesalers—Wiltshires 125/-, clear bellies 100/-, backs 164/-, middles 140/-, three-quarters 137/-, streaks 93/-, fores and squares 93/-, pic-nics 68/-. To retailers—Wiltshires 137/-, clear bellies 112/-, Spencers and Cumberlands 135/-, backs 176/-, middles 152/-, three-quarters 149/-, streaks 105/-, fores and squares 105/-, pic-nics 80/- per cwt. Retail price—Middles 1/10, backs 2/1, streaks and belly 1/2 to 1/6, fores and squares 1/6, pic-nics 1/2 per lb. HAMS and GAMMONS, to wholesalers 131/-, to retailers 143/- for green and 11/- extra smoked, retail price 2/1 per lb. LARD—American and Canadian refined 42/6 to importers. CHEESE—To importers—New Zealand 75/-, Australian and South African 73/-, Canadian finest 78/-, fine 74/-. BUTTER—First-hand 143/-, wholesalers 150/- per cwt.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—Home refined steady. Granulated spot 36/10 to 37/10, cubes 40/10 to 41/10, castor 38/10 to 42/2, icing 40/- to 46/8 per cwt. COCOA quiet; Accra G/F spot sellers 33/9, Liverpool 33/3 per cwt., new crop January-March 31/-, per 50 kilos c.i.f.: Grenada spot 68/-, to 70/-, Trinidad 72/- to 80/-. SPICES slow; black Lampong spot in bond sellers 4½d., afloat 3½d.; white Muntok spot in bond 6d., ditto duty paid 9½d., afloat 5d. January 4½d., February 4¾d., spot in bond 7½d., afloat 6½d. per lb. c.i.f. Sago flour—Sarawak January-February 20/6. RUBBER quietly steady; sheet spot sold 11¼d., February 11¼d., April-June 11¾d. to 11¼d. and 11½d., July-September 11¾d. October-December 11¾d.; fine hand Para spot sellers 11¼d. per lb. Liming prices: Sheet spot sold 11¼d., February 11¾d., April-June 11¾d., July-September 11¾d., October-December 11¾d. SHELLAC steady; fair T.N. spot sold 88/-, closing sellers at 89/- to 92/-, as to quality and quantity; to arrive, sellers 90/- per cwt. c.i.f.; A/C Garnet spot quoted 110/-, pure button ditto 132/6, fine orange 140/- to 170/- per cwt. GUNNIES easier; Hessians 10oz. February-March sellers 42/3, 8oz. ditto 35/9 per 100 yards c.i.f. Twills—10oz. February-March sellers 51/-, spot 52/-; "P" ditto 110/- per 100 bags c.i.f. MILK POWDER—Spray process, full cream, 26 per cent. butter-fat, English 125/-, ditto skimmed English and New Zealand 45/-; roller process, full cream, 26 per cent. butter-fat, English 104/-, ditto skimmed, English 36/- per cwt. CONDENSED MILK—Full cream, 9 per cent. butter-fat, English 5 per cwt. barrels 52/-, 8 per cent. butter-fat 51/-, skimmed 33/6 per cwt.

OILS.—Linseed, raw £40 18/-; rape, crude £44 5/-; cottonseed, crude £26, washed £28 15/-, refined edible £29 12/6, deodorised £30 10/-; soya bean, crude £27, refined deodorised £31; groundnut, crude £29 10/-, refined deodorised £34, hardened £38; cocoanut, crude £22 2/6, refined deodorised £25 7/6, refined hardened £29 17/6; Palm, refined deodorised £27, fine deodorised £31 10/-, refined deodorised £24 15/-, hardened £29 5/-; Castor firsts £43 10/-, seconds £41 10/-, whale, crude £24 10/- to £25, refined £27 10/- to £27 10/- per ton net naked ex-mill or works. TURPENTINE steady; American spot 59/6 per cwt. RESIN—American spot 45/- to 45/6, to 35/- as to grade per cwt. OILSEEDS—Market quiet. The following are approximate shippers' indications on the basis of the Government freight and insurance: Linseed, Calcutta, January-February £21 15/-; Bombay, ditto £22 12/6; River Plate, January £16. Rapeseed, Toria January-February £17 5/-, Cottonseed, Egyptian January-February £8. Groundnuts, Coromandel January-February £14 15/-. Castorseed, Bombay January-February £22 12/6. Soya beans, Manchurian January-February £13 10/- per ton c.i.f.

LIVERPOOL.—COCOA—West African remains steady, without quotable change, but, with no interest, from manufacturers. Spot slow conditions prevail. Spot parcels of good fermented Accra quoted 35/- per cwt. in bond ex store Liverpool, and forward shipments of new crop good fermented 31/- c.i.f. per 50 kilos to United Kingdom ports.

LONDON METALS MARKET

TIN easier. Official quotations marked a decline of 30/- per ton for cash and 35/- forward on balance. Standard cash quoted £246 10/- to £247, three months £246 5/- to £246 5/-; settlement £246 15/-. Sales amounted to 225 tons, 15th January, at £246 15/- to £246 10/-, three months January, at £246 10/- and £245 15/-, East £271 15/- nominal per ton. ANTIMONY firm, English regulus spot £96 to £98, foreign ditto £90 to £92 per ton.

FAT CATTLE PRICES AT DUBLIN

Average price per cwt. live weight of fat cattle, fat sheep and fat lambs in Dublin market yesterday:—

FAT CATTLE.

Year.	Jan. 11. s. d.	Jan. 4. s. d.	Dec. 28. s. d.
1940-39	48 0	45 9	43 9
At corresponding dates in previous years:—			
1938-37	33 0	32 9	32 0
1937-37	33 0	32 9	32 0

FAT SHEEP.

Year.	Jan. 11. s. d.	Jan. 4. s. d.	Dec. 28. s. d.
1940-39	48 0	45 9	43 3
At corresponding dates in previous years:—			
1939-38	34 0	35 6	30 6
1938-37	46 0	44 9	44 6

STORE CATTLE SALES

MESSRS. GAVIN LOW, LTD.

A much better selection of store cattle was forward for yesterday's sale, especially in regard to quality. Strong aged bullocks were again scarce, the majority having been satisfactorily placed in the fat market. Aberdeen-Angus crosses predominated, while there was a good show of young west country horned bullocks. All classes were in demand, and a satisfactory clearance was effected at prices decidedly in sellers' favour. Forty-eight shillings per cwt. was obtained for several lots of Aberdeen-Angus crosses from Counties Westmeath and Louth. Other classes ranged from 40/- to 46/- per cwt., with secondary and rough lots making from 33/- to 38/-.

MESSRS. GANLY AND SONS.

Larger numbers on offer, and included a good selection of all classes of bullocks and heifers from 1 to 3 years old. There was a full attendance of buyers for both home and cross-Channel requirements, and a good steady trade prevailed throughout the auction, with prices maintaining last week's improvement, and an excellent clearance was effected. J. J. Mangan's Hereford cross bullocks at £23 5/- were 47/- per cwt.; W. J. Kelly's Hereford cross and Aberdeen-Angus cross bullocks, £21 and £19 15/- (47/6) and (46/-); H. McGrath's Hereford cross bullocks, £19 7/6 and £19 (50/- to 46/6); J. Guiry's Aberdeen-Angus cross bullocks, £19 5/- (46/-); H. Quinlan's Aberdeen-Angus bullocks, £23 (45/6); T. Griffen's Aberdeen-Angus cross and polly bullocks, £19 15/- to £18 (46/- to 42/-); J. Malone's polly bullocks, £20 15/- and £19 7/6 (45/6 to 46/-); T. J. Delaney's Aberdeen-Angus cross bullocks, £17 15/- to £15 15/- (45/- to 43/-).

MESSRS. CRAIGIE BROS.

Messrs. Craigie Bros. had heavier supplies at their store cattle sale yesterday. With a large attendance of cross-Channel and home buyers, trade was brisk throughout and prices in sellers' favour. The principal sales were:—Finished bullocks, horned bullocks, £23 10/-; L. Fant, A.A. cross bullocks, £21 5/-; Jos. Moran, horned bullocks, £20 10/-; Hereford bullocks and heifers, £17 7/6 and £17; T. H. Carter, Hereford cross bullocks, £18; horned ditto, £17 10/-; polly ditto, £17; P. Donovan, polly bullocks, £18 10/- and £17; George Hoey, Hereford cross heifers, £18 15/-; Robert Cullen, horned bullocks, £16 7/6; Jas. Gibbons, polly bullocks, £18 7/6; T. Delany, horned bullocks, 2 years, £16 7/6. A large number of young stock realised from £13 to £8 10/-. Live-weight prices ranged from 47/6 to 38/- per cwt.

WYANDOTTES LEAD IN EGG TEST

The third report issued by the Department of Agriculture on the current egg-laying test at the Munster Institute, Cork, covers the period from 1st October to 23rd December. The average egg yield per pullet for each of the competing breeds was as follows:—

White Wyandotte	46.7
Rhode Island Red	41.9
White Leghorn	36.9
Light Sussex	41.2
Buff Rock	40.1
Barred Rock	43.0
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	42.9

The pen of White Wyandottes owned by Mrs. L. P. Cox, Victoria Park, Donnycarney, Dublin, still leads with a score of 373 eggs, value £3 8s. 10d.

AUCTIONS.

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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Friday, January 12.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS UACHTARACH.
(The Supreme Court.)

At 11.15 o'clock—To be mentioned—Appeals under Settlement—In re Workmen's Compensation Act, 1934, Byrne v. the Drumm Battery Co., Ltd.; in the goods of Blunden, decd., Gabbett and ors. v. Blundan (new trial motion). For Monday, January 15, at 11 o'clock—For Hearing—The Irish Industrial Benefit Building Society v. O'Brien and anor.

CUIRT ATHCHOMHAIRC CHOIRIULA.
(Court of Criminal Appeal.)

Sitting in Court No. 1. For Monday, 15th January. Applications for Extension of Time—The People (Attorney-General) v. John McKimm; same v. Philip Markey (notice of withdrawal received); same v. John Sims, alias Boyle; same v. Lorcan A. O'Toole; same v. Thomas Byrne. Applications for Leave to Appeal—The People (Attorney-General) v. Edward Fagan; same v. Patrick McKenna; same v. Laurence Phelan.

CLARATHOIR NA gCOIMICRITHE CUIRTE.
(The Registrar of Wards of Court.)

Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock. Ex Parte Application—Statement of facts re entry, Hutchinson and Davidson; same (adj.), S. F. and E. Reeves and Son; P. Rath, a minor, M. J. O'Connor and Co.; Gleeson, a minor, G.S.; Collis, a minor, G.S.; pass a/c, 103rd Sect., L. C. P. Smith; application, W. Fry and Son; settle report, Ryan and O'Brien; statement of facts, F. F. Cullinan and Co.; same, P. J. Nielson and Sons.

Before Mr. Magahan, at 11 o'clock—Vch. ac., Roche and Sons; vch. ac., O'Hagan and Son.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS.
(The High Court.)

In Court 2—Actions (to be mentioned)—Attorney-General v. Hosford. Circuit Appeals—O'Neill-Donnellon v. Mayo Co. Council. Motion—Hay and Solicitors Act.

BANKRUPTCY.

In Court No. 6, at 11 o'clock—Arrangt., 1st private sitting, Horan and Devine; do., do., Porter, Morris and Co.; McKeever, 1st meeting comp., re J. Walsh; do., final exam., Boyle; McDonnell and Ryan, 1st public sitting, Crowley, Bolger and Cusack; Birmingham, do., J. A. Scallan and Co.; Conran, do., do., Healy, do.; J. S. Dunne; Fitzpatrick, final exam., Collins and Son; Manning, exam. witnesses, do.; debtor's summons, issues (2), L. T. McCarthy, B. P. McCormack.

In Court 3, at 11 o'clock—Probate Motions. Ex Parte—In the goods of John Cooke, deceased; Maurice Downey, deceased; Mary Ann Gerrard, deceased; John O'Driscoll, deceased. On Notice—In the goods of Margaret Bates, deceased; Thomas Hunt, deceased; Margaret Morrissey, deceased.

In Court No. 3, at the conclusion of the Probate List. On Notice—McArdle, petr., McArdle, respdt.

In Court 4, at 11 o'clock. Ex Parte Motions. On Notice—In the goods of Kevin Purcell, deceased; O'Driscoll respdt.; Horan petr., Horan respdt.; Fitzsimons v. McDonald; McKeon petr., Mackey respdt. Summary Summons—Sanville, Ltd., v. Hardiman.

For Monday, 15th January, in Court 4, at 11 o'clock. Case Stated—The Attorney-General complaining, Jas. Crawford, defendant.

JURY AND NON-JURY ACTIONS.

Jury Actions will be listed for hearing on Monday, 22nd January. Actions not down for trial for any day after Saturday, 20th January, will not be listed for hearing during the Hilary Sittings unless leave shall have been granted by the Court.

MAISTIR NA hARD-CHUIRTE.
(The Master of the High Court.)

At 11 o'clock, Motions of Course. Summonses—Munster and Leinster Bank v. Kelly; same v. Short; Kelly v. Kelly; Knox v. Wilson; Delaney v. Ryan; Pollock and Co. v. Bracken; Heffernan v. Fahey; Wheeler v. Knight; Kerr v. Farrell; Crosbie v. Kane; Nolan v. Nolan; Slaughter, Hayes and Co. v. Lucey; Allen v. Dingle; General Textiles, Ltd., v. Murphy and Sons; Magill v. Sweeny; O'Donovan v. Flynn; Hayden v. Hayden; McNamee v. Delaney; Sweny v. Magrane; Temple-more U.D.C. v. Connolly; Minister for Agriculture v. Flannery; same v. McCarthy; May, Roberts v. Crofts; Northern Venecrs, Ltd., v. Quirke and Sons; Hammonds, Ltd., v. Burke; Grancol, Ltd., v. McInerney. Motions on Notice—Egan v. Ocean, Co., Corpn. and others; Crosbie Hotels v. Co. v. Conlan and Co.; Cronin v. Cronin; Walters v. Walters; Murphy v. O'Brien; McDonnell v. Munster and Leinster Bank; Revenue Commissioners v. Kelly; same v. McKenna; same v. Rice; same v. Taylor; same v. Tottenham; Mellor, Bromley and Co. v. Irish Millarine, Ltd.

BANKRUPTCY.

At 10.15 o'clock—Debtor's Summons (2), reference, L. T. McCarthy, B. P. McCormack. At 12 o'clock—Arrangt., account comp., Collins and Son; arrangt., account comp., Collins and Son; Doherty, account comp., Collins and Son; Doherty, proof debts, Collins and Son; arrangt., account comp., J. P. Dunne; arrangt., settle conditions sale, Horan and Devine; Redmond, account comp, C. B. W. Boyle; arrangt., account comp., J. Barrett.

OIFIG AN MHAISTIR-MHEASAITREACHTA.
(The Taxing Master's Office.)

Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock—Coyle v. Macken, P. J. Shaw; Hollinshead v. Murphy, Dickie, Coulter and Hamill; Hewson v. Leitrim Board of Health, G. Lynch; Lismore Fishery Conservators to Keane, J. L. Keane and Son; Julian, decd., Gregg, Jermyn and Sons.

Master Kennedy, at 11 o'clock, Exparte Taxations—Cahill v. Murphy, H. Concannon and Co.; Walsh v. Dublin County Council, W. S. Barrett; MacMahon v. Attorney-General, MacMahon, Russell and Co.; Masterson v. Great Southern Railways, J. C. Rutledge.

OIFIG AN SCRUDORA.
(The Examiners' Office.)

Before Mr. Adderley (Room 104), at 11 o'clock—Bailey v. Bailey, sign cert.; Healy v. Attorney-General, sign cert.; J. Mandeville, decd., Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Mandeville, sign cert.; Hibernian Bank, Ltd., v. McGinty, sign cert., Hibernian Bank, Ltd., v. Casey; Munster and Leinster Bank v. Power; National Bank, Ltd., v. O'Brien; R. M. Maybury, decd., Maybury v. M. Hackett's Trusts and E. Hackett, decd., Reigh v. Reigh.

Before Mr. Murphy (Room 17), at 11 o'clock—Doian's estate; Boyse's estate.

Before Mr. Greville (Room 53), at 11 o'clock—Royal Bank, Ltd., v. Saul; Tench v. Farquharson; Poole v. Neale; National Bank, Ltd., v. Curtin; J. J. Cox, decd., Cox v. Cox; C. Tracey, decd., Tracey v. Taylor; E. Grimes, decd., Grimes v. Grimes; L. Walsh, decd., Walsh v. Walsh; J. Carey, decd., Carey v. Carey.

CHOIMISIUN TALMHAN NA h-EIREANN.
(Irish Land Commission.)

At Examiners' Chambers, at 93 Merrion Square.

Before Mr. Sullivan at 11 o'clock—J. S. Hart, vouch.

At 89 Merrion Square.

Before Mr. Ryan, at 3 o'clock—Levingstone, discharge sitting and settle schedule.

Before Mr. O'Byrne, at 11 o'clock—Morice.

Before Mr. Tyrrell, at 3 o'clock—Knox, vouch.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

Tuesday, the 23rd January, 1940, has been appointed as the date of the next Sitting of the Central Criminal Court, at Green street Court house, Dublin, at 11 o'clock.

CIRCUIT CRIMINAL COURT.
Courthouse, Green street, Dublin.

A sitting of the above Court will be held on Friday, 19th inst., at 11 o'clock.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS CHUARDA.
(Circuit Court of Justice.)

Before Judge Davitt, at the Law Courts, Chancery place at 11 o'clock. Equity Suits—Claffey v. Chambers; Rogers v. Donohoe and anor.; Morrissey and ors. v. Lonergan; Tracey v. Lipshits; Kelly and anor. v. Mofsovits; English v. Smyth.

Before Judge Shannon, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, at 11 o'clock. Motions—Hayden v. Walsh and anor. (equity); Sheriff v. Grehan. Applications for Summary Judgment—Eastwood v. McAuley; O'Farrelly v. Maher. Civil Actions—Bowmaker, Ltd., v. Fraser and anor.; Bracken v. O'Connor; Stewart v. Fitzgerald; Martin v. Maguire; Robinson v. Clarke.

AN CLARATHOIR CONTAE.
(Court of County Registrar.)

At 12.30 o'clock. Taxation of Costs—Waldron v. Hollywood; Haywood and Haywood v. Kavanagh; Hogan and ors. v. Dronin; Lawlor v. Ennis; Donnelly Sons v. Keogh and anor.; MacFarland v. MacFarland; O'Keeffe v. Hughes Bros., Ltd. Equity—Sec. v. Walsh.

EXTENSION OF TIME GIVEN

(BEFORE THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT.)

On the application of Miss Deverell (instructed by Mr. Charles B. W. Boyle), on behalf of Mrs. Margaret Mary Flanagan, Lake View, Hill street, Drumana, County Leitrim, an extension of time was given for the withdrawal by Mrs. Flanagan of £401, lodged without admission of liability in Court with the defence, filed in her action against the Great Southern Railways Company and the Standard Life Assurance Company, Dawson street, Dublin, claiming damages for injuries suffered by her when an omnibus, the property of the railways company, in which she was a passenger, and a motor car, owned by the assurance company, were involved in a collision at Bannockstown Cross, County Meath, on March 15 last.

Messrs. J. J. McDonald and Co., were solicitors for the railways company; and Messrs. D. and T. Fitzgerald were solicitors for the assurance company.

GLENTOWN, ST. JOHNSTON, COUNTY DONEGAL.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE OF SURPLUS PLANT AND MACHINERY.

WE are favoured with instructions from the GLENTOWN SLATE QUARRIES (1937), LTD., Glentown, St. Johnston, to offer for SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, on THURSDAY, 18th JANUARY, at 10.30 a.m., and the following day, if necessary.

The following Surplus Plant and Machinery:—2 Anderson-Grice 5-Tons Steam Derrick Cranes, 100 feet and 80 feet Jibs, new condition; 1 Morris 6-Ton Steam Derrick Crane, 60 feet Jib; 1 Butters 7-Ton Steam Derrick Crane, 70 feet Jib; 1 Steam Traction Engine (Avelling and Porter), 8 Tons, in good working condition.

N.B.—All the above Plant has been tested and inspected to date in accordance with insurance and Board of Trade Regulations.

1 Cross-cut Saw, 52-inch Diamond Blade, 1 Ingersoll-Rand Air Compressor, 100lb. pressure; 3 Three-Ton Bedford Lorries, 1 Two-Ton Fordson, 2 Fordson Tractors, in good working condition, spare parts; 1 16 h.p. Vertical (Crossley Trade Oil Engine, Two 220 volt. 40 amp. D.C. Generators, two Switchboards, etc.; three air-driven Pumps, Hand Pumps, quantity of 2-inch Water Hose, Barrels of high-grade Motor Oils, 60 Tons of Rails, Sleepers, etc.; Decauville Tipping Wagons of standard gauge, Crane Buckets, 3,500 feet of Piping, 4-inch to 3-inch; 2 Stone Houses (dry built), with Corrugated Iron Roofs; 1 Wood and Corrugated Iron House, 24 x 22 x 8 feet to eaves; Corrugated Iron Water Tanks and Barrels, Sling Chains, Jackhammers, Drills and a large quantity of Tools and Fittings.

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GRAZING TO LET.

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GRAZING, 1940.

The Commissioners of Public Works invite Tenders for the Letting of the Grazing of the undermentioned fields in the Phœnix Park Demesne, for the season ending on the 30th November, 1940. Separate Tenders should be submitted for each field. The fields can be seen by arrangement with the Superintendent, Phœnix Park (Telephone—Castleknock 21), from whom any additional information required may be obtained.

Field No.	Description.	Approximate Area.	
1	President's Demesne.	25 Acres.	For cattle Grazing
2	"	11 "	Only.
3	Nunciature "	24½ "	For cattle
4	"	7¾ "	Grazing
5	"	3 "	Only.
6	Colaiste Moibhi (formerly Hibernian School).	8½ "	For cattle and sheep Grazing

Field No. 1 is subject to the Grazing of one horse.

Dogs will not be admitted into the President's Demesne unless on a leash. Strict care at the entrance of cattle into this Demesne will be restricted to the Cubra Gate of the Park and the Laundry Gate of the Demesne.

The fields must not be used for accommodation, shipping or marketing purposes.

Tenants will be required to cut any noxious weeds on their holdings.

Tenders, in sealed envelopes, endorsed "Phœnix Park—Grazing," and addressed to the undersigned, will be considered if received up to but not later than 12 o'clock midday on Monday, 22nd January, 1940.

The Commissioners will not be bound to accept the highest or any Tender.

GEO. P. FAGAN, Runaidhe.

Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblidhe
(Office of Public Works),
Baile Atha Cliath (Dublin),
Sadh Eanair, 1940.

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

SENTENCED FOR LARCENY

(BEFORE MR. LITTLE.)

Walter Brown (27), no fixed address, a native of England, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for stealing an overcoat, gloves and silver chain and matchbox, total value £7, the property of David Wilders, of Mespil road, Dublin.

INFORMATIONS REFUSED

Informations were refused in a case in which James Mulvey (33), taxi driver, Dorset row, Dublin, was charged with the manslaughter of Michael Confrey, Ceannt's Fort, Mount Brown, on November 12 at Phibsborough road.

Mulvey was discharged, but was fined £5 for driving at a speed dangerous to the public. A summons for driving without reasonable consideration was dismissed.

Mr. J. A. Geary (State Solicitor's office) prosecuted; Mr. Sean Ryan appeared for Mulvey, and Mr. A. N. Byrne for the next-of-kin of Confrey.

CARRION CROWS DESTROY GAME

Senator D. L. Robinson presided at a meeting of the Committee of the Irish Game Protection Association yesterday. Complaints from farmers all over the country, and especially from along the Shannon in County Longford, about the destruction of game by carrion crows, were considered, and it was decided to take action towards the mitigation of the damage. Other members present